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BIRTH

BRODD.—On March 19, 1940, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mary, wife of E. B. BRODD, a daughter. 4799

ENGAGEMENT

DRAKEFORD—BULLOCK.—The engagement is announced between Sub-Lt. (E) DUDLEY G. DRAKEFORD, R.N.V.R., only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Drakeford, of Shanghai, China, and JOAN BULLOCK, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bullock, of Crow Gables, Cobham, Surrey. 11525

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G. R.

BRITISH CONSULAR NOTIFICATION NO. 6

EASTER HOLIDAYS

The Offices of His Britannic Majesty's Consulate-General will be closed on Good Friday, March 22, and Easter Monday, March 25, 1940.

A. H. GEORGE,
Consul-General.

British Consulate-General,
Shanghai, Mar. 20, 1940. 11525

THE ANGLO-FRENCH LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-fourth Annual General Meeting of Members will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 20 Canton Road, Shanghai, on Friday, April 5, 1940, at 11.45 a.m., to receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the Financial Year ended February 29, 1940, to declare a Dividend, to elect a Director, to elect Auditors and to transact other ordinary business.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 1 to 5, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, Mar. 20, 1940. 11532

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-Seventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Tuesday April 2, 1940 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1939, declaring a dividend, electing a Director and Auditors and transacting any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from March 27 to April 2, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. A. WATTIE & CO., LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.
Shanghai, March 20, 1940. 11494

SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE

This Exchange will be closed for the transaction of business on Friday, Saturday and Monday, March 22, 23 and 25, 1940.

E. H. PARROTT,
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Shanghai, March 20, 1940. 11522

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To-day's Events

MARCH

21 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
21 For. Y. Debate: 'Discovery of America and Fall of Rome'
21 *Spring Equinox (Ch'un-fen)*
21 *Shanghai City captured by Nationalists (1927)*
21 *NCDN broadcast 12.45 and 9 p.m. XMHD 760kc. 395m.*

"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

EASTER HOLIDAYS

The offices of the company will be closed to-morrow, Friday, March 22. There will be no issue of the "North-China Daily News" on Saturday, March 23, but the paper will appear as usual (with Magazine) on Sunday, March 24.

The offices of the company will be open from 9 a.m. till noon on Saturday and Sunday, March 23 and 24 as usual, and from 9 a.m. till 6 p.m. on Monday, March 25.

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Application has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to SONG VUNG KWE of SHANGHAI duplicate certificates for FIVE HUNDRED shares of Tls. 5 each in the Company upon the statement that the original certificates Nos. 8729 (Share Nos. 371431 to 371930) 8730 (Share Nos. 371931 to 372030, 264211 to 264510, 391271 to 391370) 8731 (Share Nos. 308711 to 309210) 8732 (Share Nos. 277211 to 277710) dated 14th day of January 1939, has been lost or destroyed.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 DAYS from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original certificates is made to the Directors they will then proceed to deal with such application for duplicates.

By Order of the Directors,

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Shanghai, March 18, 1940. 11449

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirtieth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above-named Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai, on Wednesday, April 3, 1940 at 11.45 a.m. for the following purposes:—

To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1939, to declare a dividend, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from March 27 to April 3, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. A. WAITTIE & CO., LTD.,
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Shanghai, March 20, 1940. 11493

YANGTSZE FINANCE CO., LIMITED
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 3936 with Transfer Deed attached for 500 shares Nos. 422001/422500 inclusive dated October 12, 1939 issued in the name of Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation in the above-named Company has been declared lost, and the public is hereby warned against negotiating same.

In the event of the said Certificate not being recovered on or before April 19, 1940 a new certificate will be issued in lieu thereof.

TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Secretaries.
Shanghai, March 18, 1940. 11478

YANGTSZE FINANCE CO., LIMITED
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 3411 with Transfer Deed attached for 500 shares Nos. 15501/15800, 97051/97150 and 97251/97350 inclusive dated July 8, 1937, issued in the name of Chekiang Industrial Bank, Ltd. in the above-named Company has been declared lost, and the public is hereby warned against negotiating same.

In the event of the said Certificate not being recovered on or before April 19, 1940 a new certificate will be issued in lieu thereof.

TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Secretaries.
Shanghai, March 18, 1940. 11477

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Syndicate Constituted by O. S. Lieu and the Kailan Mining Administration for the operation of the Kailan Sales Agency and the Kailan Wharf Agency having been dissolved as at December 31, 1939, all persons having claims against either Agency or the Syndicate must present them at or before 12 noon, April 11, 1940 at the Liquidation Office of the Syndicate (Room 324A, 12 The Bund) otherwise they will not be admitted.

Shanghai, March 20, 1940. 11513

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I. E. ROBERTS, A.C.A.
T. D. DRYSDALE,
Liquidators.
352a Sassoon House, Shanghai
March 14, 1940. 11403

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CARL A. BAUMAN.
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Barometer inches	30.10	30.16	30.12	30.16
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.09	—0.02	+0.02	—0.01
at 32 F. (.. .. 12 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.01	+0.02	0.00
Wind (direction)	NNE	NNE	NW	NW
.. (miles per hour)	7.4	7.4	5.6	8.1
Temperature (Fahr.)	44.°4	42.°8	37.°2	46.°4
Humidity %	81	84	98	88
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	9	3	6
Rainfall inches	0.01	0.00	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report March 19	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.14	—0.11	30.14
Temp. Min. 41.°5 Max. 47.°8	44.°7	+2.°4	47.°5
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	7.68	0.06	6.34

Time and Tide	21/3	22/3	23/3	24/3	25/3	26/3	27/3
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.57	5.56	5.54	5.53	5.52	5.51	5.50
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.05	18.06	18.06	18.07	18.08	18.08	18.09
Moon rises at Shanghai	15.22	16.30	17.28	18.47	19.55	21.02	22.05
Moon sets at Shanghai	3.43	4.28	5.12	5.55	6.40	7.26	8.14
Flood makes Shal. 6 to 18	8.25	9.30	10.24	11.00	11.42	12.15	12.44
Ebb. makes Shal. 6 to 18	13.40	14.22	15.10	15.54	16.40	17.30	17.58
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	10.28	11.19	11.57	12.41	13.24	14.09	14.45
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	8.60	—	8.61	9.70	10.51	10.03	9.66

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The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

THURSDAY, March 21	Reg.	Ord.
Formosa via Keelung	*20.00	7.30
Ningpo etc. via Chinhai .	*20.00	8.00
Hongkong and Canton	10.30	11.00
Aust. N.Z. Manila and Java Ports ..... A	15.00	16.00
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FRIDAY, March 22.		
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*20.00	8.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin ..	*20.00	8.00
Tsingtao and Dairen	8.30	9.00
Tinghai and Shenkiamen via Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez and Europe via Suez .. c	14.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	15.30	16.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong bz	—	—
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SATURDAY, March 23.		
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	20.00	7.15
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*20.00	8.00
Aust. N.Z. Indo-China S.S. Ceylon and India x	*20.00	9.00
Hongkong and Canton	8.30	9.00
Hongkong and Haiphong ..	8.30	9.00
Amoy and Swatow	8.30	9.00
Amoy Swatow Canton x	9.30	10.00
Hongkong x	9.30	10.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	10.00	10.30
Nantung	14.30	15.00
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* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 12.00 on 21st
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C Parcel mail for Indo-China, S.S., F.M.S., Ceylon, Egypt, E-Soudan, France and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 22nd.
D Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 22nd.
E Parcel mail for Central America and Canal Zone, closes at 12.00 on 23rd.
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Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service pre steamer on March 21, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due London on April 3.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on March 22, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due San Fracisco on April 2.
Air France per steamer on March 22, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Hongkong, Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service: daily at 8 p.m.

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Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 9.45 a.m. and 12.00 at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 9.15 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.
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THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—
Yesterday Min. 36.0 Max. 58.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 41.0 Max. 55.0
Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—
Yesterday Min. 34.5 Max. 61.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 40.5 Max. 54.9

State on the morning of the 19th:—High to normal and steady pressure over China: unsteady over Japan. Small depression to the north of Formosa moving east ward northwesterly to north-easterly winds along the Coast. Fine weather in the north; mist or rain in our regions.

State on the morning of the 20th:—Fine and cold weather. North-north-westerly wind. Normal and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy, fine and rather cold weather with rather strong north-westerly to north-easterly winds over Shantung, our regions and the Eastern Sea. Misty in the South.—Siccawei Observatory.

Post Office Notices Continued

Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu, Tatung, Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
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Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Pacific, Mar. 22, due London April 26.
Per steamer via Pacific, Mar. 20, due London May 1.
Per steamer via Suez, on Mar. 25, due London May 1.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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United Knittingware Factory	3
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Cathedral Girls' School
IN MEMORY OF MISS I. M. FLEET

Nancy and Duncan Munro	$50

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Correspondence for this column should be addressed to the Editor, North-China Daily News Office, 17 The Bund, Shanghai, and to ensure secrecy, marked "Letters to the Editor."

Those Sermons:
Roman Catholics Criticized

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I wonder if the following small defect in your paper has escaped your notice. I refer to the tone of the Roman Catholic sermons that appear now more frequently than hitherto, and contributed frequently by Jesuits.

I am not writing this as a Protestant but as a general reader. I should be equally irritated if your usual Protestant contributors sent in similar effusions, with their violent denominational apologetics and uncalled-for attacks against other creeds. Fortunately they have not troubled to begin a controversy by replying to any of these. Your Protestant contributors appear to try to help the general reader of any and every creed,—and God knows we all need such spiritual help in these times,—and disdain to use this opportunity offered by your courtesy to benefit their own ends. Indeed most of their sermons could as easily have come from the pen of a Catholic.

As regards the clumsy and boisterous excursions of your Jesuit contributors into scientific matters, it is not for me to offer criticism, since I can well leave this to the judgement of your educated public. But here again one would like to suggest that there are subjects upon which the Catholic Fathers are better qualified to speak, which would carry more conviction and do more good. Here I speak not as a Protestant, nor even as a general reader, but as a Christian. Many like myself would like to know more about the Catholic experience, about God, and His Son, and the Holy Spirit, about victory over Sin in the individual, and other such matters on the Spiritual plane as seen by a Catholic. In these critical days when all religions are arrayed in combat against the same enemy of Secularism, it is childish folly for them to bicker among themselves, and worse than folly to lose a rare chance to preach Christ such as your paper offers, and instead to indulge in a spate or opinionative and quarrelsome dialectics.

W. R. A.

Outport, March 10.

Iranian New Year:
Today's Observance

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—It is very natural for the individuals of every nation to look forward to a certain day of the year with great expectations of special celebrations, because such national days have been to them the source of joy and national glory, generation after generation. In like manner, we Iranians look forward to the Iranian (New Day) New Year.

According to information so kindly supplied by the Rev. Fr. L. Dumas, S.J., of the Zikawei Observatory, this year the Vernal Equinox (the Iranian New Day) will commence on March 21, at 3 o'clock 24 minutes 12 seconds a.m., Shanghai time.

This New Year should be as usual a time of joy and pleasure for us Iranians, but alas, the present New Year cannot be the source of happiness for us, for how can we feel happy while so many other nations are at war . . . in the west, in the north and in the east.

Saadi, the famous philosopher-poet of Iran, some 703 years ago said:

Every individual is a particular organ of the body of humanity, if one organ is in pain the whole body will feel the pangs thereof.

Without peace among nations there can be no joy or happiness for individuals, be they members of belligerent nations or of neutrals. Although our beloved Iran is neutral, nevertheless, we share the grief and distress of those who are not neutrals.

Every now and then, too, disturbing news is published in our local press which fills us, Iranians, with fear lest our beloved Iran be involved in the general conflagration, but it must be understood that this fear is not brought on by cowardice but by a natural caution and love of peace.

From time immemorial the Iranian race has shown special aptitude in overcoming unusual difficulties, to pass through hazards and survive, and has produced at the psychological moment, the man of the hour, who would lead them over impassable precipices and steer the Ark of Iran through storms to safety.

We Iranians of the present age are happy and thankful to Providence for having given us the blessing of having His Imperial Majesty Pahlevi on the throne of our beloved Iran, to whose soldierly courage, statesmanly foresight and sagelike wisdom, we owe our very existence. His Imperial Majesty once said: "I made myself old to make my Iran and Iranian young." These words will remain forever imprinted in the hearts of Iranians. We are convinced that he will guide us safely through the present difficulties as he has done in the past.

On this auspicious day, instead of expecting the congratulations of our friends, may we hope that they will join with us in praying to Almighty God for the restoration of peace among nations and harmony among mankind.

H. Touty.

Shanghai, Mar. 20.

Road Hog:
Run Over Dog Neglected

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—May I beg a space in your very valuable column in the hopes that these lines reach the eyes of some road hogs.

Yesterday afternoon opposite the Race Course a poor dog was run over by a car and left to die. I happened to hear the cry of pain from this wounded animal and hurried out. The poor dog was lying on the sidewalk where it had been put by some Chinese, but no one could do anything.

I got a sheet, wrapped the dog in it and took it to the S.S.P.C.A. where I asked the officer in charge to put it out of misery. It had lost a great deal of blood and the forepaw was completely severed.

Taking it for granted that it was an accident, humanity demanded that person to stop and render what assistance was necessary, instead of running away like a cur. A dog has as much right to live as we have. That dog was not a mongrel but some child's faithful companion, a house pet; it had probably strayed from home and lost its way. Terrified it attempted to cross the road when it was struck down and brutally left to die.

There were tears in its eyes when I was holding it towards me and it was so tame that I cried, and I'm not ashamed of tears at such a pitiful sight.

Probably that child is waiting for the dog that will never return, some home will miss their pet dog. Whoever it is, I hope their conscience will hurt them and the only reparation they can make is to send some donation to the S.S.P.C.A. in memory of that poor dog.

Ma Jackson.

Shanghai, Mar. 18.

T.B. Hospital:
Hundred Beds Wanted

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—The response to our appeal for beds for the Tuberculosis Hospital of the Shanghai Anti-Tuberculosis Association through the "North-China Daily News" has been very gratifying. Up to date the following gifts have been received:

Anonym	$ 900
Rev. and Mrs. Lacy L. Little	90
Mrs. F. L. Hawks Pott	90
Miss G. L. Cooper	90
Mr. Chou Yung Chun	90
J.K.W.K.	450
Madame Sao-Ke Alfred Sze	180
Mr. and Mrs. G.	20
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The Tuberculosis Hospital received in 1938 in loan one hundred beds from a local school which now wants its beds returned and the hospital finds itself suddenly confronted with a rather large outlay of money, as regulation beds, with bedding, will cost about $90 each. To meet this requirement we are asking the Shanghai public who have in the past so generously contributed to the needs of the 220 free tubercular patients, who, poverty stricken, have come to us for refuge in all stages of this terrible disease.

Lee S. Huizenga, M.D.,
Honorary Secretary,
S'hai Anti-Tuberc. Assoc.
41 Tszepang Road
Shanghai, Mar. 19.

Local Girls:
An Overcrowded Profession

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—One of the causes of this "May and December" business is that some of our stenographers have to live in 1940 at the wage of 1920 (or before).

Any girl who has to take four trips a day on the squalid and dirty No. 2 Bus would be happy to accept the invitation to ride in any greybeard's limousine.

Maybe the type-thumping profession is overcrowded thus allowing the exploitation of our little ladies. Why not branch out into trades such as millinery, hair-waving, cake-making or even journalism, which may provide rickshaw-fare in preference to the stuffy and smelly No. 2.

J. C. de B.

Shanghai, Mar. 20.

Rats in Walls:
Reader Waxes Facetious

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Soak a large loofah in equal parts of oil-of-turpentine, lysol, carbon bisulphide and prussic acid. Add 10 per cent. pure benzine.

Remove the walls. As the rats run away hit them on the head with the loofah and carefully apply a match to their tails. Replace the walls.

Alice.

Shanghai, Mar. 19.

WE ALWAYS KNEW THAT SHANGHAI WAS SOMETHING LIKE FOURTH OR FIFTH GREATEST PORT IN THE WORLD —
— BUT IT'S REALLY A REVELATION TO US —
— THAT OUR POPULATION IS FAR GREATER THAN THAT OF DENMARK, NORWAY, LITHUANIA AND SWITZERLAND
— AREN'T WE IN A POSITION TO DEMAND THE IMMEDIATE CESSION TO US, LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL —
— AND SINCE WE ARE BADLY IN NEED OF SOME MORE "LEBENSRAUM"
— OF HONGKONG —
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Give Us Lebensraum!

Singapore Internees:
Account Said Too Glowing

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—The account of the Singapore internment camp in Sunday's issue reads a little too well to be true. One does not expect to hear of ill-treatment, insufficient food or bad conditions in a British internment camp but such camps are not meant to be holiday resorts.

My attention is drawn to the following details:—

1. First class passages were not paid by H.M. Government. The internees were provided with 2nd class Economic passages but were given 1st class cabins by the Lloyd Triestino authorities as all other accommodations were taken up. Those who travelled 1st class did so at the expense of the firm in Singapore.
2. The "gorgeous beach" was available for 1½ hours daily only with the exception of Sundays when no bathing was allowed.
3. Consumption of beer was limited to one bottle per day each and no other alcoholic drinks were permitted.
4. One picnic was arranged in six months (on Christmas Day when wine was allowed) and there were no excursions.
5. The internees were allowed one visitor each once a month only. Married men could see their wives once a week.
6. The "musicians" at the camp were learning to use their instruments and must have given their friends more pain than pleasure.

It is perfectly true that the internees were treated decently and had no complaints, but to describe their confinement in terms so idyllic as those used in Sunday's issue is indifferent propaganda, the efficiency of which is only in ratio to its understatement.

"Magnum est . . ."

Shanghai, Mar. 19.

***The information upon which the article was based as well as the pictures were brought to this office by a Shanghai friend of one of the internees—Ed.

Seventy Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News," of March 21, 1870

We extract from the "China Mail" an important paragraph regarding pilotage at Foochow. The Queensland was unable to obtain a pilot; and was, in consequence, obliged to anchor outside, during a heavy gale, eventually losing an anchor through the heavy pitching of the vessel breaking the chain. The master attributes the absence of pilots to the action of the Divisional Marine Inspector, in suspending a number. Further explanation is needed.

Farista Saharova's Piano Recital
Monumental Works on Artiste's Programme

There were works of the monumental order on Miss Saharova's programme at her recital in the Lyceum Theatre on Thursday evening, and it wis in these that she was most convincing as a pianist.

It is an unenviable task to start up from cold at a recital, and take off with the Appassionata Sonata of Beethoven, but the load did not worry this pianiste. The general shaping of the first two movements, and the force of enunciation of the first, were admirable, but occasionally her pace would not come to any hard and fast agreement with the demands of the melodic line, where such a compact is essential. The last movement fell prey to a disregard of the tempo indication: *Allegro, ma non troppo.* Not in the beginning anyway, was probably what Beethoven really meant, with an eye on the *sempre piu Allegro* and *Presto* at the end. Observation of the metronome marking of 132 to the crotchet at the commencement does ample justice to the central idea of the Finale, and at the same time, tucks a mental and muscular reserve up the sleeve to meet the sting of the coda.

I think Miss Saharova should abstain from Chopin, unless she can be persuaded to lay aside the necessity for heroic presentation. As it was, she made heavy weather of the Nocturne (Op. 48, No. 1), and the Etude (Op. 10, No. 12), for no other reason than that of injudicious application of muscular effort to keyboard and pedal. Without her force of style, though, the Liszt study, "Triana" by Albeniz, and Stravinsky's Dance from Pretoushka, would not have been played so rousingly.—H.

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Mr. Welles Denies Receiving Or Passing Any Peace Plan

Washington Discounts Rumours; Berlin Also Issues Denial of Eleven-Point Proposals

Rome, Mar. 20.

"TO allay the flood of rumours," Mr. Sumner Welles, American Under-Secretary of State, issued a statement to American journalists in Rome last night, before he left for Genoa on his way home, declaring that he had received no peace plan or proposal from any belligerent or from any other government, and had not conveyed such proposal to any belligerent or any other government.

Mr. Welles added that he was not taking back to the President any such proposal. The American envoy did not see Signor Mussolini yesterday. It is learned, however, that he had lunch with Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, at the Rome Golf Club. The two statesmen remained in conversation for a couple of hours after lunch. The American Ambassador was present.

During his stay, Mr. Welles conferred with Mr. F. P. Hibbard, First Secretary of the United States Legation in Bucharest, whom he specially summoned from the Rumanian capital.

The idea of a peace offensive by Signor Mussolini is scouted by Signor Virginio Gayda, writing in the semi-official "Giornale d'Italia" today. It is grotesque for the Democracies, he says, to insist on fixing on Il Duce the permanent task of intermediary. It is unthinkable, he adds, that Il Duce should visit the capitals of Europe in a peace movement for which no government is yet asking.—Reuter.

Mr. Welles Leaves Italy

Genoa, Mar. 20.

Mr. Sumner Welles left here this morning for the United States. He arrived from Rome early this morning, and immediately boarded the Italian liner, Conte di Savoia.—Reuter.

Il Duce Not Pacifist

London, Mar. 20.

"Il Duce is not a supporter of peace at all," according to an official commentator of the Rome radio. "Most opinion that peace plans are being continually circulated in Rome, is mainly arbitrary. The Government cannot devote its entire energy to working out peace plans," he added. —Reuter.

Washington Refutes Rumours

Washington, Mar. 20.

Reports of a German eleven-point peace plan were discounted today by Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's private secretary, who told reporters that no information had been transmitted to the United States Government to support published reports of such a plan. On the basis of authoritative reports received by the United States Government, he added, "peace headlines would appear to be very empty."

Mr. Early said President Roosevelt had carefully read and analysed all reports received.

Official quarters here persist in affirming that Mr. Sumner Welles, American Under-Secretary of State, had no hand in the meeting of the Dictators at Brenner Pass. It is suggested here that Herr Hitler is seeking to use Mr. Welles' presence for his own purposes.

In the view of the press, Herr Hitler is regarded as probably trying to bring about improved relations between Russia and Italy, and it is added that Signor Mussolini might consider that the stabilization of the Balkans is worth the price of shaking hands with Moscow.—Reuter.

Il Duce to Avoid Claims

Vatican City, Mar. 20.

The United States Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, in his conversation with the Pope on Monday, explained that Signor Mussolini had assured him that in the present conflict he would not advance Italy's revisionist claims so as not to worsen the situation, according to a reliable Vatican source here yesterday.

As long as the conflict remains limited Italy will do nothing to prevent a peaceful solution, either during peace negotiations or after peace, Il Duce is said to have told Mr. Welles.

The Pope was reported to have assured Mr. Welles that in his opinion Il Duce's assurance merits absolute faith. The same source said the American statesman informed the Pope that he had formed the opinion in the past six weeks that the conflict could be limited to its present bounds.

The Vatican source said the Pope told Mr. Welles that Rumania appears headed towards a secure neutrality situation with Yugoslavia also secure. He is also reported to have said that Germany has been showing great interest in persuading Russia to maintain Balkan peace.—United Press.

Hitler May Summon Reichstag

Amsterdam, Mar. 20.

Herr Hitler may summon the Reichstag in the next few days to hear the result of his meeting with Signor Mussolini, it is learned from a Berlin source.

The decision probably depends on a final message from Rome, after Il Duce's farewell talk with Mr. Sumner Welles who is to sail for home today in the Italian liner Conte di Savoia after his fact-finding tour of Europe. —Reuter.

Berlin Denies Peace Plan

Berlin, Mar. 20.

"Germany has nothing more to say on the question of peace after the rejection of Herr Hitler's offer of October 6, 1939, an offer made only once," declares an inspired statement denying rumours of a peace plan. Germany's slogan, it is added, is "war until victory is won."

Reports of an eleven-point peace plan put forward by Herr Hitler are described by German political circles here as "foolish propaganda manœuvres" attributed to "fear of the future on the part of the plutocracies."

A spokesman of the Wilhelmstrasse told neutral correspondents that people abroad still did not seem to understand that the German Government had taken two decisions:

1. To continue the war until complete victory had been achieved.
2. After victory, to secure Germany's vital interests once and for all, and to end the eternal menace of the plutocratic Democracies.

The Wilhelmstrasse is said to be openly discussing the desirability of a better understanding between Russia and Italy, and it is understood that a visit by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, to Moscow is still possible.—Reuter.

Britain Ready for Brenner Results

"We Are Not Likely to Be Diverted" from War Aims, Says Premier

London, Mar. 20.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, referring in the House of Commons to the meeting between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini, said: "Whatever might be the outcome of yesterday's meeting, we are ready to meet it. We are not likely to be diverted from the purpose for which we entered the war."

"President Roosevelt is certainly sympathetic towards the cause of the Allies and antagonistic to the cause of the Dictators," says the "New York Mirror," quoted by a special commentary here today. "Certainly he has sent Mr. Sumner Welles (American Under-Secretary of State) to Europe to find out how America can help effect a peace that will not embarrass or jeopardize the interests of the Allies."

The attitude of the Swiss press to the meeting between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini is best summed up by the "Bund." "We cannot help believing that Herr Hitler's journey must have some connection with Mr. Welles' last days in Europe" and "the political significance of the meeting will consist in Signor Mussolini's once more reminding Herr Hitler that Italy's actions are conditioned by her interests and nothing else."

The Rome Correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten" says there is much idle talk of a possible change in Italian policy towards Russia, but opinion in Rome maintains that there is no good reason now why Italy should want this, the commentary concludes.

The alliance between Germany and Italy has been strengthened as a result of the meeting between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini at the Brenner Pass on March 18, said the Berlin wireless, today quoting the Diplomatic Correspondent of the Hamburger Fremdenblatt." "Germany is more than ever ready for forthcoming events in the West, for which the raid on Scapa Flow is a very promising overture," it was added.—Reuter.

"German-Allied Chasm"

Paris, Mar. 20.

Reports from Rome of an 11-point peace plan are not taken seriously in Paris, although so far no official information on the Brenner meeting is available.

It is suggested that the story comes from the same source as the rumour about the French Premier, M. Daladier, going to Genoa to meet Signor Mussolini.

While it is believed that Signor Mussolini has not wavered from the attitude he has adopted ever since the war of seeking to end the war in the west while observing Italy's undertakings and defending her interests, it is felt that it must be clear to him that a chasm exists between the German idea of peace and real peace as envisaged by the Democracies.

It is felt, therefore, that the atmosphere is not favourable to a new German peace offensive.—Reuter.

Mukden Airliner Falls In Hopei

Bodies of Six Men on Board Found

Mukden, Mar. 20.

A regular airliner bound from Mukden to Peiping crashed 12 kilometres north of Pingku in northern Hopei province at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning, according to information reaching here today.

The Manchurian Airways Company sent a plane immediately to the scene of the accident. Six bodies were found by the Japanese garrison at Pingku, according to information reaching here.—Domei.

Japan-Spain Trade to Reach 15 Millions

Paris, Mar. 20.

During their recent negotiations for the conclusion of a new barter trade pact, Japan and Spain were believed to have reached an agreement to exchange goods valued at Y15,000,000 yearly, according to commercial circles here. Japan would buy about Y7,000,000 worth of goods from Spain and would send Y8,000,000 worth of goods to Spain, the commercial observers said.—Domei.

The Man of the Moment in War-Torn Europe

Mr. Sumner Welles, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State (left), who is touring the European capitals sounding out peace prospects, shaking hands with Mr. Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's special peace envoy to the Vatican, before they sailed from New York in the liner Rex.

Delegates Visit Mausoleum

Mr. Wang Ching-wei Pays Tribute at Tomb of Father Of Chinese Republic

Nanking, Mar. 20.

Paying his respects to the late Dr Sun Yat-sen, Mr. Wang Ching-wei visited the mausoleum of the Father of the Chinese Revolution yesterday morning for the first time since the fall of Nanking on December 13, 1937.

On the eve of the inauguration of the Central Political Conference shaping a new "Central Government of China," Mr. Wang drove to the "pai lou" of the mausoleum and was greeted by Dr. Kao Kuan-wu, Mayor of the Nanking, and Mr. Chen Chun, Minister of the Interior of the "Reformed Government." Followed by 30 leading members of the Kuomintang, he ascended the granite staircase and stood before the marble statue of Dr. Sun.

After executing bows before the statue, Mr. Wang broke his silence and in a low but strong voice recited Dr. Sun's last instructions to him. Tears were seen flowing down his cheeks as his voice became louder.

In deep emotion, Mr. Wang concluded his recitation and placed a handkerchief over his eyes as Kuomintang members remained motionless with bowed heads.—Domei.

Royal Empire Society Annual Reception

In order to further the interests of the Royal Empire Society in Shanghai a temporary committee of Fellows has been formed until such time as it is possible to call a meeting when a Committee may be selected by ballot. The temporary Committee is as follows: Messrs. V. G. Bowden, Australian Government Trade Commissioner; E. F. Hardman, P. D. G. Gain, N. C. Macgregor, and Alec L. Davidson, Acting Secretary.

The election of the Committee was made at the annual reception of the Royal Empire Society, which was held in the home of Mr. A. H. George, H. M. Consul-General, on Tuesday evening. During the reception Mr. George outlined the aims and objects of the Society and gave a brief account of its history.

Defaulting Accountant Sentenced

Eloped from Tientsin with Bank Funds and Girl

Found guilty of misappropriating more than $40,000 from a Chinese commercial bank in Tientsin where he formerly served as accountant, Hsu Yi-ching, who fled to Shanghai last winter together with his favourite sing song girl, has been sentenced to 10 months' imprisonment by the Second Special District Court. The sing song girl was found by the court to have nothing to do with misappropriation and therefore she was set free.

It was revealed in court that Hsu found himself in trouble because he was in love with the sing song girl Miss Yung Shui-tseng, an 18-year old native of Soochow. Trying to live happily together with her, he obtained $43,000 from other banks in Tientsin under false pretenses and by virtue of his position as the accountant of his bank. He did this secretly and after obtaining the money he paid $3,000 to "redeem" the girl from the house of ill-fame and they secretly arrived in Shanghai.

Arrested on Arrival

Travelling aboard the ss. Hupeh, they reached the French Bund where they found French police already awaiting him. By that time, the police here had already been notified of the Tientsin crime. Hsu and his sing song girl sweetheart were soon sent to the Second Special District Court but, later, the question of jurisdiction arose as the crime was committed in Tientsin. The Shanghai Branch of the Supreme Court, however, decided to refer the case to the Concession court here. Part of the misappropriated funds has been recovered.

Japanese Bus Kills Man In Eastern Area

A Japanese-operated omnibus knocked down and fatally injured a Chinese pedestrian, a man, shortly after midday yesterday on Broadway, East, at Chaoufoong Road. A Fire Brigade ambulance took the victim to the Shanghai Sanitarium Clinic in Range Road, where he was pronounced dead.

Father Arrested for Beating Son

A native bank clerk named Zien Pah-yien was brought before the First Special District Court yesterday charged with assault in which he was alleged to have stripped naked his son and beaten him severely because his son had stolen some food from neighbours on Tuesday morning. The father pleaded guilty but judgment was reserved.

The boy, only eight years old, is lying in the Paulun Hospital suffering from bruises and lacerations all over his body in addition to haemorrhage in the nose.

Chengtu Road police arrested the father on Tuesday night.

Anglo-Spanish Agreement Outlined In Commons

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 20.

Stopping a leak in the British blockade was announced in the House of Commons today in a written reply by the President of the Board of Trade, Sir Andrew Duncan, giving details of the Anglo-Spanish loan and payments agreement just signed. Under the agreement, the British Government will lend the Spanish Government £2,000,000 for the purchase of goods, and a sum sufficient to enable an immediate dividend of 50 per cent. to be paid on outstanding debts. The reply adds that a separate agreement has been signed containing an undertaking by the Spanish Government not to allow the re-export of certain imported goods.—Reuter.

Cathedral Girls' Gym. Prowess

Parents and Friends See Daring and Agility in Annual Display

Once again the parents and favoured friends of the Cathedral Girls' School were given the opportunity yesterday of seeing their daughters perform feats of almost unbelievable daring and agility in their competitions for the House Shield, and in their drill display, which is now looked on as an annual event.

The sun, as it usually does on these occasions, shone brilliantly, and there was a feeling of happiness and excitement even before the display started with an excellent show of vaulting in many different forms. All the exercises were so interesting and so well done that no one could be picked out for particular mention.

The drill done by the little ones from Forms 1c and 1b proved as fascinating as ever, and it is always surprising to find the number of different ways Miss Symons can think of demonstrating their exercises. Seesaws and cycling were such fun, everyone enjoyed them, especially the small people concerned, whose beautiful straight backs must have been the envy of many.

Muscular Control

Forms 1a and 1b, whose members seemed little bigger than the Cs and Ds did equally fascinating exercises, but exercises which showed a tremendous advance in muscular control, and this control became more marked in the girls of the senior classes, who showed to a marked degree, the benefit of their training in the Lower School.

The apparatus work done by girls from Form 1 upwards was just as breathtaking and as impressive as ever, and Miss Symons, who returned from England only in December last, must be heartily congratulated on the excellence of work maintained, and the imagination behind the planning of a most enjoyable programme. The parents and girls, too, if hearty cheers have any significance, fully appreciate the hard work which lies behind yesterday's drill display.

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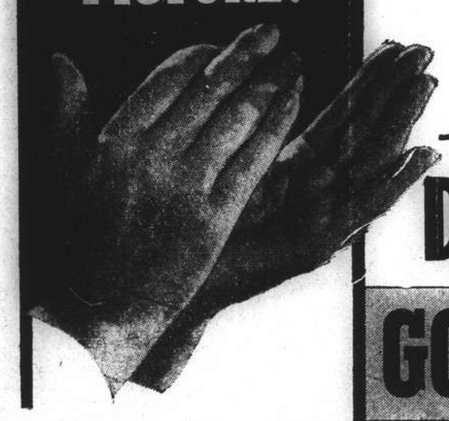

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Spring Atmosphere Draws Crowd to Watch Ponies Train

Fast Gallop Done by Night Express; Good Style Shown by Cire Flyers; Australians Clocked

By "Ching"

THE spring feeling in the air attracted a big attendance yesterday morning at the race track, who were well rewarded by seeing much interesting training work done by ponies that have two days' racing before them at Easter, and also by some of the Australian subs that will be out with the colours up on April 6.

The fastest gallop done by a China pony to come under my notice, was the 1¼ mile done by Night Express, who did the distance in 2.44, first mile, and last mile, being 2.10. He was a bit unfortunate in having a fast Australian coming up on him strongly in the last quarter. Don Enrico and Don Blanco also went well for their 1¼ mile taken in company; their time was 2.53.3, last quarter 31, both finishing well. Frostylight and Flyinglight were out together for a steady training gallop, which both finished up in good style. Merrylight and Cherrylight also looked well at the end of their training work.

Vim with his jockey up went a slow canter to finish it with a last quarter in 30.3. Clunieburn was given a steady training gallop at slow speed, finishing it attractively, and fairly fast over the final furlong. White Parade may have gone 1¼ mile, but I only got my watch on him for his last mile, which he made inside 2.17. Northwood and Bagshot took a steady training gallop of 1¼ mile together in about three minutes, with nothing very attractive about the finish of either.

Doc was given a slow 1¼ mile, and I did not think he was showing his best style at the finish, possibly justifying his appearance among the C class ponies in next Monday's Easter Holiday Handicap. Kentucky went well for his mile with the last quarter in 32.2.

The Australians

Albanylight went well when covering the 1¾ mile in 2.31, last mile 1.57, last quarter 27. The one that can beat this one, when it comes to racing among these subs, has an outstanding prospect of being the winner of both the Australian Derby, and the Australian Champions.

No. 30 in the Fowler stable was moving well at the end of his gallop, last mile of which he did in 2.06.2, last quarter 29. The bay gelding 51, did his 1¾ mile in 2.38, but I was not pleased with the finish.

Midnight Star went two miles, doing the last mile of it in 2.02.1, last quarter 30. The black gelding No. 49 finished up his gallop with the final mile in 2.01.2, last quarter 28.3. California was moving well at the finish of his slow mile.

Blue Star finished his gallop with a last quarter in 27.2; he will be a starter in Saturday's All Comers race. As there will be no issue of the "North-China Daily News" on Saturday, my notes for that day's racing must appear tomorrow.

Dickinson Enters Squash Final

Rowing Club and Race Club To Fight for Title Today; Close Games Seen

The deciding match in the semi-final of the junior knock-out squash championship took place last night at the Rowing Club when R. Dickinson of the home team defeated J. S. Flood of the Race Club by 9-8, 5-9, 7-9, 9-4, 10-8, to give the Rowing Club the right to enter the final which is to be played today at the Race Club courts between the Light Horse and the Rowing Club.

Play in that match was particularly close, and the game went to five games, with both players being very tired at the end of the contest. Both rose to the occasion, and Dickinson was a stubborn defender, being at the loser's end at 6-8 in the fifth and deciding game and fighting back strongly to win by 10-8, thereby putting his team into the final. The earlier games saw Flood holding a 2-1 lead at the end of the third game, but failing to keep his advantage and the long fought and hard struggle saw Dickinson emerging victory.

The final at the Race Club tonight will see the Light Horse represented by H. Maitland, A. A. White, J. G. W. Lewis, J. Moore, and either J. K. Wilson or G.F.H. Bichard, while the Rowing Club will be represented by A. C. Sinclair, R. S. L. Frewen, T. O. Schmid, R. Dickinson and E. P. Morphew.

Three matches in the local championships were played off yesterday, D. Green defeating H. G. Fabian by 9-7, 9-1, 9-6, and entering the semi-finals. The match produced some good play with Green being too good for his opponent and scoring with his soft shots, Fabian failing to get his opponent out of position and being outmanœuvred. The first and third games were well contested, with Fabian leading by 6-3 in the third, but failing to maintain this advantage and Green coming up to take the lead and to go on and win.

Junior Championship

In the junior championships, H. Maitland defeated E. P. Morphew by 9-0, 9-5, 9-1 in a match wherein the winner was at peak form and ran to his points easily. Morphew has played better this season and was unable to cope with Maitland's hard hitting.

The other junior match of the day saw C. C. Squires defeating S. T. Berglof by 9-2, 5-9, 9-10, 9-6, 9-1, this contest taking place at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. courts, where Squires proved that he has not lost the touches he had when he was more active in squash. He played a good game and was very well up on his opponent, Berglof having the better of the second and third games, but failing away thereafter. It is expected that Squires will improve after this and will be considered a threat in the junior championship.

S.R.C. Teams Against Surreys, P.T.H.

The following will represent the S.R.C. against the East Surreys on Monday and P.T.H. on Saturday, respectively.

Mousasticoff, Mingozzi, Greenberg, Jack, Bulldeath, Symons, Favacho, Madar, England, H. Kapustin, Aldeguer. R.G. 2.

Moussasticoff, Lipkovsky, Greenberg, Lee, Brodd, Zellensky, Oppenhelm, Hart Baker, England A., Ryan, Sennichenko. R.G. 2.

All Soccer Titles Here Decided

Three Cultures Finish on Top of 3rd Division; Lido Followed by Surreys

The victory scored by Three Cultures over Aurora last Saturday marked the close of the fight for premier honours in the four divisions of the Shanghai Football Association League. In the First Division, Lido has assumed a commanding lead and the impossibility of completing the fixtures in the second round puts the crack Chinese on top of the final standing. East Surreys are fairly secure in second place as they trounced P.T.H. last Sunday by a big margin of 6-2.

A.S.F. and Seaforth Highlanders follow close on the heels of the Surreys while P.T.H., S.R.C. and S.F.X. are next in running and these teams will be fighting their hardest this week-end for places from third down to seventh.

All the matches in the Reserve, Second and Third Divisions have been completed and the standing of teams follows:—

First Division

Lido	11	10	0	1	40	18	20
Surreys	11	7	2	2	47	26	16
A.S.F.	13	7	1	5	48	37	15
Seaforths	12	7	0	5	35	23	14
P.T.H.	13	6	2	5	40	47	14
S.R.C.	12	5	3	4	35	54	13
S.F.X.	12	6	0	6	39	28	12
Tung Hwa	11	4	0	7	27	38	8
Lusitano	10	2	0	8	20	41	4
S.M.P.	15	2	0	13	27	61	4

Reserve Division

Surreys	9	7	2	0	36	9	16
Seaforths	9	6	3	0	29	8	15
Lido	9	7	0	2	29	12	14
Tung Hwa	9	4	1	4	9	21	9
S.F.X.	9	3	2	4	22	21	8
S.R.C.	9	3	1	5	19	19	7
S.M.P.	9	2	2	5	21	31	6
P.T.H.	9	2	2	5	13	25	6
Lusitano	9	2	1	6	16	30	5
A.S.F.	9	1	2	6	14	32	4

Second Division

Area Details	9	9	0	0	60	8	18
J.R.C.	9	7	0	2	61	16	14
French Forces	9	7	0	2	37	15	14
Parks	9	6	1	2	24	19	13
Rowing Club	9	5	1	3	30	18	11
Sokol	9	3	1	5	22	21	7
Ching Hwa	9	3	0	6	31	45	6
Russ. Regt.	9	2	0	7	13	34	4
U.T. Party	9	1	1	7	23	42	3
J.A.C.	9	0	0	9	2	85	0

Third Division

3 Cultures	11	10	1	0	49	10	21
Russ. Club	11	9	2	0	49	12	20
Maccabi	11	9	1	1	47	12	19
Xaverians	11	6	1	4	26	30	13
Aurora	11	4	2	5	25	21	10
Old. West.	11	5	0	6	22	25	10
Betar	11	3	2	6	20	24	8
R.A.M.C.	11	4	0	7	16	29	8
Hotspurs	11	3	1	7	15	21	7
Judeans	11	3	1	7	17	25	7
Oarsmen	11	3	0	8	14	48	6
Tung Wen	11	1	1	9	8	51	3

Individuals Scoring

22	Cochran (PTH)
17	Roboostoff (ASF)
16	Karolitch (SFX)
14	Kinsella (Surreys)
12	Spiers (Seaforths)
11	Foyn (SFX)
11	Bousset (ASF)
11	England (SRC)
10	V. K. Hyui (Lido)
8	K. H. Huang (Lido)
8	Parr (Surreys)
8	T. Van (Tung Hwa)
8	Chooklantzeff (SMP)
8	McClarty (Surreys)
7	J. Ward (ASF)
7	Kidby (PTH)
6	K. S. Suen (Lido)
6	Dennis (Surreys)
6	L. Rozario (Lusi.)
6	Kapustin (SRC)
6	Duffy (SMP)
6	Segalen (ASF)
5	N. Z. Lee (Lido)
5	C. S. Woo (Lido)
5	Petterson (SFX)
5	Mihaloff (ASF)
5	Fraser (Seaforths)

TRAINING GALLOPS

IN misty weather early yesterday morning, Shanghai race ponies went through training gallops in preparation for Spring race meetings. Times recorded were:

(1st Class Ponies)

	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	1m.	1¼m.	1½m.	Last ¼
Ashridge, A. F. Clark	33.3	1.06.1	1.38.3				32.2
Bober, G. P. Gram	38	—	1.46.2	2.19.1			32.4
Carnival, Boy	35.3	1.10	1.41.2				31.2
Cherrylight, Boy	37.3	—	1.47	2.18.3			31.3
Don Enrico, Boy	37.3	1.15	1.50.2	2.22.3	2.53.3		31
Flyinglight, Boy	38	—	1.47.3	2.19.3			32
Frostylight, Boy	38	—	1.47.3	2.19.3			32
Merrylight, Boy	40	—	1.50.2	2.21.2			31
Night Express, G. Renner	34	1.07	1.39	2.10	2.44		34
Raim, Mrs. Liddell	35	1.09.2	1.44	2.17			33
Clunieburn, A. V. Striker	39	—	1.50	2.21			31
Mr. Bubbins, G. Renner	38	1.13.3	1.47	2.20			33
The Frigate, M. H. Feeney	41.2	1.18	1,52	2.24			32
Un Un Un, Boy	39	1.17	—	2.25	2.59		34
White Willie, A. A. White	36	—	1.42.3	2.16			33.2
Bachelor Prince, C. Encarnacao	39	1.16	1.49	2.20.2			31
National Beauty, Boy	36.3	—	1.43.3	2.16			32.2
Don Blanco, Boy	38	1.15	1.50.2	2.22.3	2.54		31.2
White Parade, Boy	37.2	—	1.44.3	2.17			32.3
White Night, A. A. White	38.2	—	1.49	2.22			33
Danbury, Chen Poo	37	—	1.46.4	2.19			32.1
Fleeting Bow, H. P. Chanson	36.3	1.11	1.43	2.17			34
Vim, G. P. Gram	39	—	1.48.4	2.19.2			30.3

(Z Class Pony)

Icylight, Boy	35	1.07	1.38	2.08			30

(2nd Class Ponies)

Black Pirate, Boy	35	1.09	1.41.4	2.14.2			32.3
Fairy Jackdaw, G. Renner	34	1.08	1.40.3	—			32.3
Wintrylight, Boy	40	1.20	1.56	2.27.2			31.2
Woodbridge, Boy	33.3	1.06.3	1.38.3				32
Corps Cavalry, E. B. Cumine	37	1.12	1.46	2.20			34
Don Pedro, Boy	37	1.14	1.49	2.22.2	2.56.2		34
Fancylight, Boy	37.2	1.12	1.45	2.17			32
Flyaway, G. Renner	34.3	1.07.3	1.40				32
Charming Swift, Y. N. Chow	37.2	—	1.47	2.20			33
Ebonylight, Boy	38.2	—	1.49.3	2.24			34.2
Iloilo, P. L. Chiu	42	1.20	1.56	2.28			32
New Business, Billey Zung	37.3	1.14	2.22.3	2.56			33.2
Magic Eve, Boy	37	1.16	1.52.3	2.27.3	3.02		34.2
National Hero, C. Y. Wong	37	1.12.3	1.46	2.19			33
Phantom, Boy	36.3	1.11	1.43				32
Special Delivery, Mrs. Liddell	36	1.10	1.42.2				33.2
The Swan, Boy	42	1.18	1.52	2.24.2			32.2
White Birthday, V. L. Xavier	35	1.08.2	1.41.2	2.16			34.3
Bellington, A. C. Ching	41	1.18	1.51	2.24			33
Goldie, P. L. Chiu	40	1.16	1.49	2.22			33
Kentucky, P. L. Chiu	40	1.17	1.50	2.22			32
Merry Guy, Boy	38	—	1.44	2.17			33
Playboy, Y. H. Chou	39	—	1.47.2	2.21			33.3
Quick Change, A. C. Kew	37	1.12	1.46	2.21			35

(3rd Class Ponies)

Wet Morn, Boy	39	1.13.3	1.46	2.19.3			33.3
China Clipper, S. Y. Sung	37	—	1.45	2.19			34
Dazara, Boy	37.2	—	1.46.3	2.20			33.2
Fruitylight, Boy	40	—	1.49.2	2.23.3			34
Goldenray, T. C. Woo	38	1.14	—	2.24	2.57		33
Houdini, ?	38	—	1.46	2.19.3			33.3
Petruska, G. P. Gram	39	1.17	—	2.25	2.59		34
Pivot Boy, Boy	36	1.10	1.42.2				32.2
White Crest, Boy	38.3	—	1.49	2.22			33
Beautylight, S. Y. Sung	35.3	1.09.3	1.43	2.17.3			34.3
Jossspray, T. C. Woo	31.3	1.04.3	1.38	2.133			35.3
Morning Glory, G. P. Gram	42	1.18.3	1.53	2.26			33
Receivership, J. B. Lok	40	—	1.50.2	2.23			32.3
Downside, M. H. Feeney	40	—	1.50	2.24			34
Fairy Starling, H. P. Chanson	35.2	1.09	1.40.2				31.2
Grumpy, Boy	38	1.14	1.48.2	2.21			32.3
Highland, Boy	—	—	1.45	2.19			34
Little Pal, M. H. Feeney	38	—	1.47	2.20			33
Primroseray, F. Noodt	38.2	—	1.46.1	2.18.2			32.1
Romford, R. D. Parkin	38	—	146.3	2.19.1			32.3
Buffalo, Boy	33	1.07	1.42				35
Cherrybey, Capt. Douglas	33	1.06	1.40				34
Crimsonray, P. Y. Vong	41	—	1.32.2	2.26			32.3
Election Day, P. L. Chiu	38.2	1.14.2	1.48	2.24			36
National Union, T. L. Wong	34	1.08	1.40	2.15			35
Neptune, R. D. Parkin	37.3	—	1.46.3	2.20			33.2
Port St. Mary, E. Kermode	—	—	1.45.2	2.19.2			33.4
Stonmore, ?	33	1.06	1.40				34
Steve Brodie, G. P. Gram	37.3	—	1.46.3	2.19			32.2

(4th Class Ponies)

Fleeting Gull, H. P. Chanson	34.3	1.07.3	1.41				33.2
Shenko, P. Y. Vong	42	1.18	1.52	2.24			32
King's Inspection, T. L. Wong	37	1.14	1.49	2.22.3	2.56.3		34
Bonus, C. Encarnacao	37	1.16	1.52	2.27.2	3.02		34.3

(Australian Ponies)

Mistinguet, M. Sokoloff	—	—	1.29	1.57			28
Maryland, H. Maitland	36	1.06	1.36	2.06			30
Albanylight, Boy	34	—	—	2.04	2.31		27
Fancyray, F. Nooot	35	1.04	1.35	2.05			30
Freemantlelight, Boy	33.3	1.02	1.31.1	2.01			29.4
Midnight Star, ?	32	1.04	1.46.2	2.07.2	2.36	3.06	30
No. 25 Bay, R. E. Nash	38	1.14	1.45	2.16	2.46		30
No. 55 Chestnut, H. Maitland	35	1.06	1.34.3	2.05			30.2
Fleeting Deer, Boy	34	1.06.1	1.38	2.06.2	2.36.2		29
Blue Star, A. F. Clark	31	1.04.2	1.33	2.03			30
No. 42 Bay, ?	33	1.01	1.28.2				27.2

Badminton Title Play In Interesting Stage

Chinese Pair Given Hard Fight in Semi-final

The current Badminton Championships entered an interesting stage during the past few days when no less than four semi-finals were played. One of the most notable victories was scored by the powerful combination of William Fung and S.C. Hou, who are now in the final, in the Men's Doubles title play when they eliminated Llonel Kew and N.D Chelmis from the competition after a hard-fought match.

Had it not been for the poor finish of the losers an upset might have been caused as Kew and Chelmis kept up all the way with the Chinese pair to lose by only 13-18. Also twice in the second game, the trailers failed to make good their advantage when they led by 10-5 and 12-9. Fung and Hou eventually triumphed by 18-13 and 15-12, for one of the most closely-contested encounters in the championships so far.

Another team which succeeded in entering the final bracket was the combination of Mrs. Burton and A. G. Meise who were in fine form in the Mixed Doubles play last night at the French Club to take the measure of Mrs. Wolfe and Bobe by 15-18 and 15-6. With this victory, Meise has now managed to keep in the running for four titles and it is expected that he will have a strenuous time when the finals are played off.

International Doubles

2nd Round

G. D. Chelmis and N. D. Chelmis (Greece) defeated Squires and Hubbard (U.S.A.), 15-10, 15-3.

Men's Doubles

1st Round

Flood and Bobe won from Duff and partner by walkover.

Semi-Final

William Fung and S. C. Hou defeated L. Kew and N. D. Chelmis, 18-13, 15-12.

Ladies' Doubles

Semi-Final

Mrs. Sinclair and Miss Holwill defeated Mrs. Arnold-Jones and Mrs. Jorgensen, 15-11, 15-8.

Mixed Doubles

Semi-Final

Mrs. Burton and Meise defeated Mrs. N. Wolfe and Bobe, 15-8, 15-6.

Men's Singles

2nd Round

S. C. Hou defeated Nastavin, 15-5, 15-2. Bobe defeated Hubbard, 15-2, 15-3.

Semi-Final

William Fung defeated Bobe, 15-13, 15-0.

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TO-DAY at 7.30 p.m.

Events 1-8:	Events 9-16:
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"Y" Reds Defeat Sokols In Volleyball

Whites Defeat Anglo-Chinese School

Two games in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Invitation Volleyball League were played off last night when in the women's section the "Y" Reds scored a 2-1 victory over the Sokols, and in the "A" Division of the men's section the Whites took the measure of the Anglo-Chinese School second-stringers by four sets to one.

The contest between the Reds and Sokols was keenly fought, especially in the first set in which the margin was close all the way. The Reds were steadier and succeeded in reeling off the last three points, whereas the Russian girls were unable to go any further than twelve. The ultimate losers, however, did extremely well in the second session by establishing a good lead in the early stages and tied the standing. In the third and deciding set the Reds regained their form and went through without any danger of losing. The score for the three sets read 15-12, 8-15 and 15-8.

In the men's match the Whites had a poor start, losing the opening set by a 15-5 score. The School team settled down quickly and ran away with a useful lead. But in the second set the Whites pulled themselves together and displayed distinct superiority. Consequently, the team chalked up four sets in a row by 15-9, 15-10, 15-8 and 15-10.

The teams were:—

Reds:—I. Watson, C. Gladkoff, M. Gershevitch, V. Brauns, N. Wilson, O. Flinitshaye.

Sokols:—Vuin, Brandt, Lensky, Onatsevitch, Banilova, Kulii, Malinovsky.

Anglo-Chinese:—S. H. Lee, C. P. Kwan jr., C. P. Kwan sr., C. C. Loo, S. S. Mai, W. K. Chang.

Whites:—J. Doo, S. N. Chen, T. Y. Wong, Z. Y. Chow, T. U. Wong, L. K. Young.

Easter Holiday Golf At Seekingjao

Points Bogey Competition To Be Held

A points bogey competition will be played at Seekingjao over the Easter Holidays.

FRIDAY

8.04 Peacock, Toeg
8.24 Brisk, Isherwood/Pratt, Tibble
8.32 Fisteres, Mitchell/Fullam, MacKay
8.44 Macalister, MacGregor
8.48 Jourdin, Drysdale/Neumann, Hoff
8.56 Barry, Gavin/Appelboom, Huggett
9.08 Avent, Jones/Ezra, Smith
9.16 Warburton, Brown/Clark, Andersen
9.28 Rigden, Pearson/Blackwood, Bond
9.36 Drysdale, Scott/Captain
9.48 Bone, Brooks/Rigg, Aucott
9.56 President/Jones, Rodger
10.08 MacFarlane, Thomson
10.12 Malcolm, Widdup
10.16 Allan, Martin/Ealingall, Bates
10.28 Openshaw, Openshaw/Vice Presi.
10.36 Wentworth, Farnsworth
10.44 Kench, Jeffery
10.48 McCutcheon, Fox/Keating, Church
10.56 Ross, Fetterly/Meyerink, Partner
11.08 Elliot, Marshall/Ramsden, Bungey
11.16 Evans, Mrs. Wentworth
11.24 Chalmers, Mrs. Chalmers
11.28 Mrs. Fraser, Miss Francis
11.32 Miss Unite, Miss Toeg
11.36 Miss Ross, Miss McConnell
11.44 Mrs. Allan, Mrs. Rigg
11.48 Lavott, Scott/Russell, Partner

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Reality; 2, Terminjay. Also ran:—Sam Holer, Slippery Sam, Last Ray, Our Best. 4 lengths.—Time, 18.61. Win, $166.50. Forecast 2-1 Div. $534.10. Place, 1st $46.50; 2nd $31.20.

2—300 yd. flat.—1, Wychwood Abbot; 2, Uranus. Also ran:—Het Jen Ya Kiao, Simple Dale, Boxing Fan, Woodlark. ½ length.—Time, 18.55. Win, $16. Forecast 1-2 Div. $136.30. Place, 1st $7.20; 2nd $15.60. Double Event 1/2 2-1 Div. $163.70.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Pokerlaw; 2, Planet. Also ran:—Fearless Foe, Banque Eve, Dopey, Chop Suey. ½ length.—Time, 27.25. Win, $20.70. Forecast 2-5 Div. $296.10. Place, 1st $11.50; 2nd $19. Double Eve nt 2/3 1-2 Div. $36.80.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Wild Charm; 2, Bowster Boy. Also ran:—Vita Spermin, Wallfish, Wee Wren, State Lottery. 5 lengths.—Time, 31.07. Win, $9.10. Forecast 6-2 Div. $47.70. Place, 1st $7.70; 2nd $13.40. Double Event 3/4 2-6 Div. $29.20.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Gator; 2, Grayzeb. Also ran:—Advance Guard, Speedwing, Pierce Arrow, Dah Chong. A head.—Time, 30.91. Win, $38.50. Forecast 2-1 Div. $56. Place, 1st $10.10; 2nd $7.20. Double Event 4/5 6-2 Div. $23.20.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, O'Branagan; 2, Marietta. Also ran:—Shenkoland II, Woosung, Madam Sloan, Skedaddle. A neck.—Time, 30.29. Win, $20.80. Forecast 1-4 Div. $130.70. Place, 1st $11.30; 2nd $11.20. Double Event 5/6 2-1 Div. $49.60.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Shadow; 2, Sir Sewu. Also ran:—Maid of Morven, Drifting Snow, Go Smiling, Peony. 2 lengths.—Time, 30.35. Win, $35.50. Forecast 2-3 Div. $249.40. Place, 1st $17.40; 2nd $17.30. Double Event 6/7 1-2 Div. $158.50.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Glenora; 2, Gitana. Also ran:—Judy, Outlaw, Le Butin, Woodstock. 3½ lengths.—Time, 30.02. Win, $22.30. Forecast 5-6 Div. $65. Place, 1st $14.20; 2nd $9.30. Double Event 7/8 2-5 Div. $124.60.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Talgai Junior; 2, Gleniffer. Also ran:—Lady's Man, Maggie Dale, Teiresias, Wild Harmony. Win, $13.30. Forecast 1-2 Div. $63.70. Place, 1st $6.50; 2nd $7.40. Double Event 8/9 5-1 Div. $37.30.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Rio Queen; 2, D'artagnan. Also ran:—Irish Lover, Mad Jack, Matador, Eumaeus. 1 length.—Time, 30.12. Forecast 4-1 Div. $39.20. Double Event 9/10 1-4 Div. $19.30.

11—500 yd. flat.—1, Royal Rebel; 2, Starting Price. Also ran:—Amethyst, Careless Auntie, Buffalo Bill, Top Notcher. Forecast 4-1 Div. $23.10. Double Event 10/11 4-4 Div. $15.

12—500 yd. flat.—1, Funny Business; 2, Debtor. Also ran:—Theydon Bois Open Beach, The Buck, Grey Vulcan. A head.—Time, 29.76. Win, $29.70. Forecast 4-5 Div. $64.80. Place, 1st $10; 2nd $6.30. Double Event 11/12 4-4 Div. $34.50.

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Japanese Attitude Toward New Nanking Regime Made Subject of Questions

Tokyo, Mar. 20.

Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador, this morning had an interview with Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister. The conversation lasted an hour.

Official circles are very reticent, but the "Asahi Shimbun" claims that the Tientsin silver question and other pending issues between Great Britain and Japan were discussed.

The "Hochi Shimbun" says the conversation dealt with the situations in Europe and China. Sir Robert, the paper declares, informed Mr. Arita that the conference between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini would in no way affect Great Britain's determination to cope with any situation which might arise. Britain would never give up until the objective of the war had been attained.

New Regime Queried

The British Ambassador, the "Hochi Shimbun" continues, listened to Mr. Arita's explanations of the circumstances leading up to the forthcoming establishment of the new Chinese régime under Mr. Wang Ching-wei, and to the convocation of the Central Political Council at Nanking.

According to the paper, Sir Robert remarked: "The British Government cannot be indifferent to the establishment of the new central régime in China and its attitude. Accordingly, the British Government desires to know the attitude of the Japanese Government towards Mr. Wang Ching-wei's Government." Mr. Arita is said to have replied the Japanese Government would offer its absolute support to the establishment of the new régime and its growth, and was ready to extend early recognition.—Reuter.

Three Explosions Rock Du Pont Plant

Baton Rouge, La., Mar. 20.

Three explosions set off by a burning tank of high test gasoline compound rocked the E. I. Du Pont de Nemours ethyl chloride manufacturing plant four miles from here yesterday. Two men were killed and six others injured by the explosions. The U.S.$10,000,000 Du Pont plant and the U.S.$14,000,000 Standard Oil refinery, a quarter of a mile away, were reported damaged.—United Press.

One of the Last Scenes From Finland

This is one of the last pictures from Finland before the peace agreement was signed. It is a street scene in Vaasa and shows people trying to rescue their belongings from homes in flames through Soviet bombs.

Price of Rice Declines Another Dollar Here

Huge Stock of Saigon Grain Held in Local Godowns

The price of rice continued its downward trend in Shanghai yesterday. Both Saigon rice and *"nui mee"* showed a drop of $1 per "zah" or picul, as compared with the rates quoted on Tuesday. The prices at local shops were: Best quality of Saigon rice, $36.50 to $38.50; and *"nui mee,"* $37 to $38.

The stock of the Saigon product has been increasing steadily in Shanghai godowns over a period of weeks. Yesterday it was estimated at 680,000 "zahs" or piculs.

Noted Chinese Singer Dies In Hongkong

Hongkong, Mar. 20.

Mr. Li Chor-chi, well-known Chinese singer, died here today at the age of 52. He is a brother of Mr. James Zee Min-li, Hollywood film actor, who is believed to be at present in Shanghai.—Reuter.

New Rumanian-Italian Monetary Accord

Increase in Deliveries of Petrol Refused

Bucharest, Mar. 20.

A new monetary agreement was concluded today between Italy and Rumania. The new agreement provides for the increase in the rate of the lira for payments in clearing.

Rome did not receive the increase in Rumanian deliveries of petrol as Italy had requested, from 400,000 tons yearly to 800,000 tons.—Havas.

Formaldehyde Leakage In Steamer Hold

Fire Brigade Rescue Crew Sent to ss. Niel Maersk

The Central Station rescue-van of the Shanghai Fire Brigade was called to the Old Ningpo Wharf shortly before 9 o'clock yesterday morning to combat a formaldehyde leakage which had occurred in the hold of the steamer Niel Maersk, of the Maersk Line (Danish). The firemen found that two barrels were leaking and measures were taken to stop the leaks and to clean the hold of the acrid fumes.

Fire crews maintained a watch on the ship for several hours afterwards. No-one was overcome by the fumes.

Gen. Marshall Urged To Speed Defence Works

Washington, Mar. 20.

Alaskan representatives called on Gen. George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, yesterday and urged him immediately to strengthen Alaskan defences and expedite work on proposed Army air bases at Fairbanks and Anchorage.

Gen. Marshall conferred with Mr. Ernest Gruening, Director of the Division of Territories of the Department of the Interior, and Mr. Anthony J. Dimond, Territorial delegate from Alaska, and discussed ways of speeding up the formation of two new national guard units. Gen. Marshall assured the two men that he is backing the Alaskan defense programme in every respect.—United Press.

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1	2	1	534.10	213.60	$2 D/Events
2	1	2	136.30	54.50	Race 1-2 $163.70
3	2	5	296.10	118.40	,, 2-3 $ 36.80
4	6	2	47.70	19.00	,, 3-4 $ 29.20
5	2	1	56.00	22.40	,, 4-5 $ 23.20
6	1	4	130.70	52.30	,, 5-6 $ 49.60
7	2	3	249.40	99.70	,, 6-7 $158.50
8	5	6	65.00	26.00	,, 7-8 $124.60
9	1	2	53.70	21.40	,, 8-9 $ 37.30
10	4	1	39.20	15.70	,, 9-10 $ 19.30
11	4	1	23.10	9.20	,, 10-11 $ 15.00
12	4	5	64.80	25.90	,, 11-12 $ 34.50

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10	MERRY LIGHT
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10	Bober	151
4	Busted Straight	153
2	Carnival	157
14	Cherrylight	153
4	Democratic Prince	150
2	Don Enrico	162
3	Flyinglight	154
5	Frostylight	154
5	Merrylight	150
4	Night Express	151
3	Rain	155
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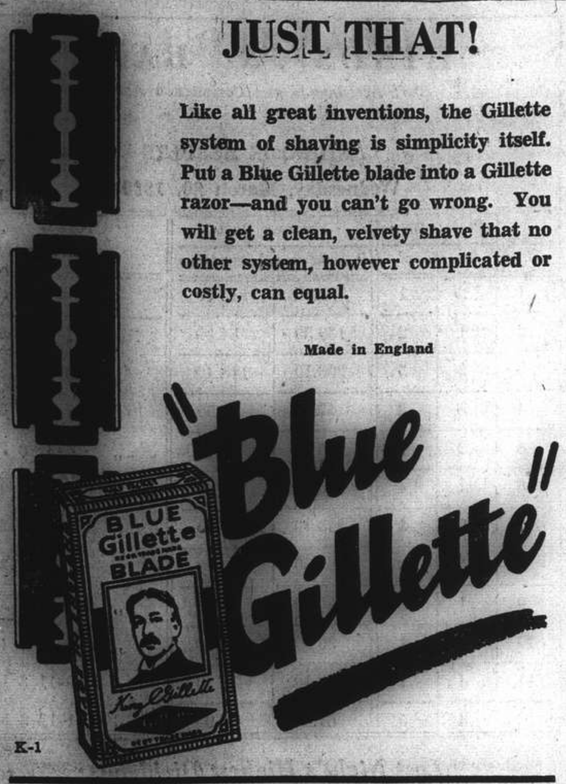

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THE PREMIER'S SPEECH

If there were ever any misgivings amongst Britons as to the ultimate outcome of the war, the plain businesslike statement on the situation given by Mr. Neville Chamberlain in the House of Commons on Tuesday should serve to allay them. The speech was a model in understatement, and was couched in terms of great restraint, so vastly different from the loud-mouthed rantings in which the Nazi leaders indulge every time they fancy the German populace needs a little oratorical stimulation. The Prime Minister's reply to those who are urging a more energetic prosecution of the war is most convincing, for from the very commencement of the hostilities it was made clear that the British Government expected a long war, and his refusal to permit the Government to be hustled into unduly precipitate action was a very necessary reminder to those who appear to have forgotten how the dissipation of strength in too many theatres during the last war contributed so greatly to its prolongation. The tribute to Finland was well deserved, and did honour to a nation which has covered itself with glory, while the outline of the limitations which circumstances placed upon the amount of aid it was possible to give that country needs to be borne in mind when endeavouring to assess the responsibility for the fact that it was not greater. Mr. Hore Belisha's criticism of the Government's policy vis-a-vis of Finland does not present him in a very fortunate light. He appears completely to ignore the difficulties there were in the way of despatching the assistance in men and materials which he avers was necessary, and leaves the impression that while he may have been a good organizer in the War Office he is not particularly sound when it comes to assessing the international situation as it was when the chance of assistance to Finland was likely to have proved productive of good. The very fact that both Norway and Sweden were reluctant to permit the passage of troops through their territory was of itself sufficient to render any such plan unworkable, and to suggest that willy-nilly reinforcements should have been sent regardless of the Scandinavian attitude is wholly to disregard the potentialities of the situation.

Despite these facts Mr. Chamberlain has made it quite clear that the Allies were prepared to do their utmost to meet Marshal Mannerheim's requirements, and were ready to give him not the 30,000 which he stated he would require in May, but a force more than three times that number. Whether it would have been possible ultimately to have sent such a force to Finland must always now remain a matter for speculation, though the German threats to Scandinavia make it quite clear that any attempt on the part of the Allies to send this force through their territories would undoubtedly have led to German intervention and consequently the extension of the war to still yet another front. Mr. Chamberlain's reference to the reported forthcoming peace offensive was short but timely. The Allies are not likely to be diverted from the purpose for which they entered the war, he declared, and it is, perhaps, just as well that this should be made clear now rather than after Herr Hitler has come forward with the alleged new peace proposals. Indeed it is to be doubted whether now he will do so. The Allies have made it so clear that they will persevere until they have attained the objects which they have in view that to launch a peace offensive at this juncture would be to invite just such another rebuff as Herr Hitler has consistently received since the outbreak of war, when he has indulged in the practice of endeavouring to sound out the peace market. The time has long passed since Herr Hitler could have peace. It disappeared when he gave the order for the German invasion of Poland, and will not return again until he is forced to a realization that the Allies are prepared to go on fighting until he is prepared to relinquish his ill-gotten spoils. The clap-trap of *lebensraum*, and the hundred and one catchwords with which the Nazi leaders bemuse their people mean nothing against the determination of the Allies that Europe shall not again witness the brutality with which the German military machine seeks to further the policies of der Fuehrer.

On the eve of the departure of Mr. Sumner Welles for the United States after his tour of the European capitals, Mr. Chamberlain's speech is of more than usual interest, because again he has enunciated the principles in defence of which the Allies entered into this war, and their common determination to see it through to the bitter end. Whatever there may have been in Berlin to impress him as to the German point of view, there can be no doubt in his mind as to the intentions of the Allies, and if he takes back to Washington an impression of the community of purpose which exists between Great Britain and France, he will be in an excellent position to advise President Roosevelt as to the chances of success which any early peace move may have. Prima facie they are slim indeed, and it is perhaps as well that President Roosevelt should be fully apprised of that fact. The Prime Minister placed the Scapa Flow raid in its proper perspective. The German claims as to the damage done by the bombing are shown to be nothing but the usual lies. They could not be anything else for as it has already been pointed out the German aviators could not possibly have known what damage they did in the dark. In this connection it needs to be pointed out that the British have made no claims as to the amount of damage done in the answering raid on Sylt. It would in the circumstances be ridiculous for them to do so for precisely the same reasons why the German claims are so foolish. But to return to Mr. Chamberlain's speech. What he said and what Lord Halifax said in the House of Lords is clearly indicative of the fixity of the Government's intention not to be diverted from the cautious policy which they have followed up to the present, even if for the moment it leaves the initiative in German hands. The time will come when that will no longer be the case, but for the time being prudence demands that no steps shall be taken which do not promise immediate results. There is no reason whatever to believe that the Allies have lost anything by following the course they are, but every reason to believe that the Germans obtain little benefit from having the initiative left with them.

The Straw Vote

The attention of Britons in Shanghai is called to the necessity of making the current straw vote for candidates for election to the Shanghai Municipal Council as complete as possible. It should be fully representative, and it is hoped that every Briton will make a point of marking his voting paper, or papers and returning them to the scrutineers. If they are posted they should be mailed not later than today, but the ballot will remain open until Saturday noon, up to which time they may be sent by messenger. The merits of the candidates who have offered themselves for their fellow-Britons' suffrages are too well known to need recapitulation here, but it is most certainly their due that their nationals should do them the courtesy of recording their votes, and thereby assuring them of the substantial support which they will require from the community. Obviously the greater the ballot the more justice will they have in assuming that they in fact represent not a fraction, but the whole of the community, and in days such as these when every demonstration of unity of purpose is of such importance a representative ballot is of the greatest possible value. The task of completing the ballot paper and despatching it to the scrutineers is not such as is likely to inconvenience any voter, and, conditions being as they are, it is an imperative duty to see that suffrages are recorded in this straw vote.

The Raid on Sylt

As more details come to hand of the British air-raid on the important German island of Sylt it becomes apparent that this move in retaliation for the German raid on Scapa Flow is being carried out on a large scale, and that the raiders have not merely flown over the place once and dropped their bombs but have maintained the raid over a period of some hours. Thus has been heralded in the longest air-raid of the war. The island of Sylt is an important German air base off the west coast of Schleswig-Holstein and very close to the Danish border. It is joined to the mainland by the famous Hindenburg dam which was damaged some weeks ago when the British raided the place, and though the only information available was that from eye-witnesses on the Danish coast, there was sufficient evidence to show that the damage done was considerable. It is from Sylt that German machines have set out to conduct raids on the east coast of Britain and if as the result of these raids considerable damage is done to the base it will be most appropriate. The whole island presents a complete military objective, and, as some time ago it was reported that civilians were being evacuated from it, the chance of non-military people numbering among the casualties should be very small indeed. What the world is probably seeing now is the commencement of the intensification of the war in the air, and it may reasonably be expected that in the next few weeks the struggle in the air will be continued with every determination on either side to secure the mastery. The manner in which the British air-arm has been built up; the fact that most of its machines are of later design than those of Germany; and the excellent showing of the men since hostilities first commenced, afford every reason for believing that they will be able to give a very good account of themselves. It is to be hoped that a policy of resorting to reprisals for German raids will not be too closely adhered to, and that, now the Germans have definitely started air raids on a substantial scale, the Allies will take up the challenge and seek the enemy when and where it suits their purpose best. The number of legitimate objectives in Heligoland Bay is sufficient to present the Allied aviators with a plenitude of targets, which could be attacked with much profit to the Allied cause. It may be some time before information emerges as to what damage has been done to Sylt by this raid, and it may be expected that the Germans will seek to make light of the whole matter; but the fact that the raiding is no longer being done by Germany, and that the Allies are willing to give just as good as they get, will undoubtedly be heartening to those who have witnessed the inaction of the past months with some degree of anxiety. The knowledge that the British air-arm can and will return blow for blow can have nothing but the best of effects not only upon domestic opinion, but upon public opinion in the neutral countries.

Maundy Thursday

Today is Maundy Thursday, so called not because it is the occasion of the annual distribution of the King's Maunds to a number of poor persons corresponding with the years of his own age, but because it was the day when, after Christ had washed His disciples' feet, He said, "A new commandment give I unto you that ye love one another." The day since has been called in Latin *Dies Mandati* the day of Christ's great mandate. In the monasteries it was the custom to wash the feet of as many poor people as there were monks in each institution, and for centuries in England the King, as a token of humility, performed the same function. Thus mention is made in the Wardrobe Book of Edward I of money being given on Easter Eve to 13 poor people whose feet the Queen had washed, and it is said that the custom was continued as late as the time of James II, when it was discontinued, leaving only the distribution of Maundy Money as a relic of the old custom. The term "maunds" as representing the Royal Alms in this instance, comes from the word "maund", "basket", dating back to the time when on the day before the Great Fast good Catholics brought out all their broken food in baskets to distribute to the poor. This afternoon, unless the war has interfered with an age-old ceremony, there should be a service in Westminster Abbey at which 44 poor people will receive gifts of the silver money specially coined, done up in small white purses and carried in a basket. These used to be distributed by the Lord High Almoner, but since 1883 the Clerk of the Almonry Office has been responsible, the last monarch to distribute the doles personally being James I.

Broadcasting The War

Prompt information on the activities and achievements of the fighting forces—and of losses, too—has been the principle of the British Government since the commencement of hostilities, but probably no more dramatic moment in House of Commons has occurred in decades than on Tuesday night. While the Royal Air Force was bombing the German island base of Sylt, the Prime Minister was able to inform the House of the raid. From one of the planes in the first squadrons to attack the island, a radio message was despatched to the R.A.F. headquarters, and this was conveyed to the Prime Minister, who immediately announced its contents, and while he was winding up the debate the raid was continuing. This is a realist method of informing the nation of the progress of the war, for it brings the people into intimate touch with developments, and there is that valuable quality of being close to the situation which counts. If the entire nation is in the war then it is only right that the facts should be communicated to them promptly. Recently, there have been several outstanding examples over B.B.C. to emphasize this and national and international reaction was electric. As already mentioned in this journal, an officer from H.M.S. Exeter who described the Battle of Montevideo and the sinking of the Graf Spee was followed by a short talk by one of the British sailor prisoners rescued from the German ship Altmark. A more recent reply to German denials of British flights over Berlin took the form of a short talk by one of the pilots who had been over the German capital the previous night. These efforts of the B.B.C. to enlighten the world are far more convincing than the inventions of Zeesen.

SHORTAGES IN RUSSIA

People in Queues to Get Basic Foods

A neutral diplomat who left Moscow some time ago after a stay of years has confirmed the current belief that even a war of several months and on a localized front has frayed the already taut transportation system in the Soviet Union, with resulting acute shortages of even basic commodities. Since the renewal of the Soviet censorship any mention of food or other shortages in dispatches leaving Russia has been strictly forbidden. In fact, one correspondent had his day's story cut to one sentence: "It is very cold in Moscow today"—which sentence he promptly cabled to his office.

There was deadly monotony, with occasional shortages of fresh products usually believed to be caused by bad distribution and the state of the transportation, which always creaked and groaned. Queues for fresh vegetables or imported fruit were constantly part of the picture of the snow-covered Moscow streets. But staples such as flour, sugar, potatoes and meat of a sort were always available and in sufficient abundance.

According to the neutral diplomat by the middle of January all existing queues had been lengthened enormously as compared with the previous three winters. The most serious instance was an acute bread shortage in Moscow the first shortage since the withdrawal of the bread cards in 1935. This lasted three days, during which it was impossible to obtain bread of any quality without waiting hours in lines running several blocks and with the temperature 40 degrees below zero. And bread is the basis of the Russians' diet. The luxury meats were still to be had, but were unbuyable with the average Russian income. Also, though the tinned-goods counter in the stores could still be reached, tinned goods were not possible for most incomes. At one time all house deliveries of milk were stopped and soon milk became difficult to get. Flour was lacking and tea was like a gift of the Magi.

Clothing Situation Increasingly Bad

The clothing situation has been increasingly bad since 1937, and when, particularly in the last year, one came upon a group of people huddled round one of the temporary fruit stands in the dark early Moscow morning, trying to cut the wind, one only had to glance round and see a clothing store near by to know that they were waiting for its opening. The neutral diplomat said that in zero weather at 6 o'clock one evening he counted 75 people in front of a shop which reportedly would have shoes the next day. There is no clothing material to be had, except in odd instances of a few bolts of linen which appear sporadically and are gobbled up by the lucky ones who have been queueing all night.

The petrol shortage does not, of course, affect the average Russian citizen, and he has gradually accustomed himself to the clothing problem. The food shortage, however, is a more serious matter. In Moscow, according to the diplomat, this is considered to be due not to a lack of food or possible exports to Germany but to the dislocation of transport: the transport system was stretched to its utmost to supply even normal demands in normal times, and with the extra burden of the war it became ragged. Trucks which had been used for transporting fresh food were commandeered for military purposes from industries even as far away as the Ural Mountains.

The food shortage in Moscow, this neutral observer said, caused grumbling—and what is more, grumbling in public queues and on the streets, particularly among the women.

On top of the lacks in Moscow, which is the best-supplied city in the Soviet Union, reports of the Finnish war, besides those supplied by the government, leaked through to the people. It is possible to conceal a defeat in far-off Monogolia, but the case is different with wounded coming into Leningrad, even though they are scattered afterward in other cities. Reservists who were called up for the Polish campaign and later demobilized were, including many wounded, recalled for the war in Finland. This has caused some local discontent.

With the inevitable infiltration of news of Soviet defeats from a front so near, an explanation of treachery was advanced—although the British Intelligence is being substituted for the Gestapo of 1937. For the Red Army can do no wrong.

IN PARENTHESIS

Rear Attack

LIGHT Horse Sergeant (who had lost patience with Trooper O'Regan): "Never approach horses from behind without speaking to them. If you do they'll kick you in yer thick head and in the end we'll have nothing but lame horses in the squadron."

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In His Place

A MILITIAMAN reported sick but the doctor was not satisfied.

Sarcastically he asked, "Would you come to me with this complaint in civilian life?"

"Oh, no, sir," was the reply, "I should send for you."

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Influence

THE young officer was new and proud of his position. The recruit was very raw and failed to salute him when they met.

The officer pulled him up sharply and snapped out: "Don't you know, my man, that I hold a commission in the —— Light Infantry?"

Replied the recruit: "Lucky devil! I'm only a private."

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Faux Pas

THERE was an epidemic of scarlet fever in the area. In the early hours of the morning one of the children seemed worse, so the mother rang up the doctor.

"I'm so sorry to trouble you, doctor, but Marie is pretty bad."

"Oh, that's quite all right," replied the doctor, "I have to pass your way to attend another patient, and I might as well kill two birds with one stone!"

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Alone He'd Do It

THE men were practising outpost duties and to test each man's intelligence as sentry the officers gave them the following information:—

"Enemy, 500 strong, are reported to be marching towards your post. Send a report back to headquarters."

From one recruit the following report was received:—

"Five hundred of the enemy are advancing towards my post. Send one gun and 500 rounds of ammunition."

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His Silent Service

HITLER was inspecting troops before their departure for the front.

"Have you any brothers?" he asked one very tall soldier.

"Yes, seven, my Fuehrer."

"And, of course, they are all fighting for the dear Fatherland," continued Hitler.

"All except one, my Fuehrer."

"And where is he?"

"In the Navy, my Fuehrer."

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Good Stuff, This

No AIR raids. No alarms. Time went slowly for the wardens at the little hut which was their post. What could they do in the long, dreary waiting hours?

Someone had a brainwave. They had ten windows. Why not protect these with a pattern of crisscross brown paper?

There was plenty of brown paper, but they had no paste. So they called in the keen, zealous boy messenger.

"Three jars of paste, sonny. Here's a florin. You should bring back sixpence change. See how quick you can be." In a few seconds the boy was on his bicycle and round the corner. In a few minutes he was back again, shyly but proudly explaining:

"I didn't know which kind you would like. So I picked a variety. Salmon and shrimp, Anchovy, Turkey and Tongue."

M. Daladier Refuses To Form Cabinet

French Government Resigns After Majority of Deputies Abstain from Voting on Resolution Of Confidence; More Energetic Lead Wanted

Paris, Mar. 20.

M. Edouard Daladier, the Premier, today informed M. Albert Lebrun, the President, that he would not undertake the task of forming a new war-time Cabinet. M. Daladier made this decision after his Cabinet had resigned en bloc. Although the resignations were accepted, M. Lebrun asked M. Daladier to form a new "streamlined" Cabinet, one consisting of less ministers but composed of men eager to instill more vigour into the conduct of the war, in compliance with public demands for such action.

The entire Cabinet called on President Lebrun after a special 25-minute meeting at 11 o'clock this morning during which it was decided that the Chamber vote censured the Cabinet's past record and no longer showed actual confidence in the Government. The Chamber of Deputies met early this morning and pledged to support the Daladier Government but demanded "energetic prosecution" of the war. Approximately 300 deputies, including the entire Socialist Party, the majority of the Federal Republicans and half of the Democratic Alliance Party, abstained from voting, however.

The Chamber issued two orders of the day. The first order expressed the admiration of the French Government for the "magnificent courage of the Finnish people and army."

The second order of the day was the vote of confidence in the Government and the demand for intensified prosecution of the war. The vote on the second order was only 231, with abstentations estimated at 311.

M. Daladier and members of the Cabinet did not appear at today's session of the Chamber.

The secret session of the Chamber began early last night and recessed to resume at 10 p.m. yesterday. The session ended at 3 a.m., after which the public meeting began.—United Press.

Anglo-French Unity Unchanged

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 20.

While British official quarters naturally refrain from comment on the resignation of the French Cabinet, competent observers in London, who have closely followed political developments in France anticipate that M. Edouard Daladier will be entrusted with the formation of a new Cabinet, writes Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent. One thing is perfectly clear that M. Daladier's strict conformity to Parliamentary etiquette, which has led him to resign after a dubious vote in the Chamber of Deputies, does not affect Anglo-French unity one jot or tittle," the correspondent adds.—Reuter.

Searching Senate Debate

Paris, Mar. 19.

A motion of confidence in the Government was voted by the Senate this afternoon at the close of a searching debate on measures taken against foreign propaganda in general and Hitlerite and Communist activities in particular.

During the debate, the Home Minister, M. Albert Sarraut, went into details and said: "It is German planes that are dropping Communist leaflets in France."

After passing the motion of confidence by a count of raised hands, the Senate also adopted the Bill providing that Deputies already condemned for their anti-national activities should be deprived of all political rights.

Senator Charles Reibel asked for an explanation of the continued residence in France of the former Republican Spanish Foreign Minister, M. Julio Alvarez del Vayo, and his wife. M. Sarraut, as Home Minister, recalled that Dr. del Vayo had been given refuge in France when he had fled from Spain but as the Spanish statesman possessed no legal visa, he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment though on March 16, last year, he had asked to be allowed to the Mexican Labour Congress and had been permitted to do so. While there in Mexico, M. Sarraut recalled, Dr. Del Vayo defended France against German propaganda about the Spanish refugees. He had then returned to France and placed himself at the disposal of the French authorities.

While these debates went on in the Senate today, the Chamber of Deputies began a session in camera at 3.15 p.m. to discuss a number of interpellations on the Government's conduct of the war and its initiative in the Finnish affairs. Debates there were interrupted at 8.35 p.m. for dinner and were then resumed at 10 o'clock.—Havas.

Strong Rebuke to 9 Neutrals

Allies' Respect for Their Rights Curbs Some Moves; Declaration in Commons

London, Mar. 20.

Mr. Oliver Stanley, Minister of War, when speaking in London today, referred to foreign press criticisms of the British Government for its "timidity and lack of enterprise over Finland."

"Why is that? he asked" Because we were tenderhearted and sparing of rights of neutrals," he said.

"That is a very dangerous lesson for neutrals to start teaching us. It may be a lesson we shall be only too willing to learn. We have learned that it is a person who ignores the rights of neutrals who gets the advantage. We now learn that it is a person who ignores the rights of neutrals who also gets their admiration. It is a lesson which may find willing and apt pupils in this country."

Mr. Stanley said that the Nazis' challenge was not only a challenge to France and themselves, but to any country sharing Britain's way of life, and standard of thought.

"There are millions of individuals all over the world thinking 'how are we going to keep out of it.' They are in it. They may not be taking any active part, or may even by timidity, or selfishness, be giving help to the other side, but do not let any of them think they can remain indifferent to the result of the struggle which has started," he declared.

Nazis Must Learn Lesson

The Nazis' challenge was so fundamental that he could see no issue from this struggle by way of compromise, Mr. Stanley said.

"There is only one guarantee we can have, and that is Germany should learn that their standard gangster rule cannot and does not pay, and never will pay.

Referring to foreign criticism that this was a "phoney" war, Mr. Stanley said that that was language culled from the ringside where people, after a good dinner, watched people hit each other, and without danger to themselves, urged them to more hitting.

To criticisms that more energy, imagination and initiative were needed, Mr. Stanley replied: "It is true that half military history is full of battles lost through lack of enterprise, but the other half was lost through lack of patience."—Reuter.

British Mediation in China Denied

Commons Statement Refutes Chungking-Wang Move

London, Mar. 20.

In the House of Commons this afternoon, Mr. M. P. Price, Labour Member for Gloucestershire, Forest of Dean division, invited a statement on recent conversations between the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, and the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Lord Halifax, particularly whether Japan had attempted to obtain the British good offices in effecting contact between the Chinese Government in Chungking, and Mr. Wang Ching-you.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in reply, said that the Japanese Ambassador, in accordance with established practice, called at the Foreign Office from time to time to discuss matters of common interest to the two countries.

No such question, as described, had been raised, he added.—Reuter.

15,000 Finns Killed In War

Stockholm, Mar. 20.

M. A. K. Cajander, former Finnish Prime Minister, told the Committee for Finn Aid here on Monday that estimated losses and damage to the Finns during the entire was totalled 15,000 persons killed, 30,000 wounded and 500,000 persons left homeless. More than 370 towns and villages were bombed by Russian planes, 46 hospitals were destroyed and four churches were completely wrecked, M. Cajander said. Approximately 1,823 air raids were carried out by the Russians and about 64,000 bombs were dropped, he disclosed.—United Press.

Rome, Berlin, Moscow Talks Predicted

London, Mar. 20.

Three-way talks linking Berlin, Moscow and Rome, in the opinion of neutral observers in Rome, are due to come close on the heels of the Brenner Pass conversations between Mussolini and Hitler, the Rome correspondent of the "News-Chronicle" reported today. According to reliable information that has filtered out of Berlin, one of the most prominent Soviet statesmen will soon be in Berlin, while the Nazi Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, will go to Moscow to present Germany in parleys with the Kremlin.—

New Regime to Be Established On March 30

Political Conference Opens in Nanking

Nanking, Mar. 20.

Describing itself as the National Government of China, a new central administration will be established here on March 30, Mr. Wang Ching-wei announced personally before 29 foreign newspapermen assembled at the ballroom of the International Club at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Under the resolution adopted by the Central Political Conference this morning, the National Government is "to return its capital to Nanking," Mr. Wang stated.

The Chinese nationalist emblem adopted by the Kuomintang on June 30, 1923, as the national flag will be retained, Mr. Wang further disclosed.

Temporary Pennant

"For the purpose of wide publicity of the idea of peace, anti-communism and national reconstruction, the pennant with the 'blue sky and white sun on red background" will be temporarily flown," the resolution further provided.

The Conference further "unanimously decided" to empower Mr. Wang Ching-wei "to determine and execute the policies for the readjustment of Sino-Japanese relations."

Flanked by Dr. Chu Min-yi on the right and Mr. Lin Pai-sheng on the left, Mr. Wang spoke from the head of a U-shaped conference table. Four movie studio klieg lights played upon Mr. Wang from the balcony while motion picture and still cameras clicked. Mr. Wang clad in a dark blue, single-breasted suit, spoke with the firm, studied tone of an experienced orator. Mr. Lin Pai-sheng interpreted.

New Era Aimed At

All attending the Conference, Mr. Wang stated, were gathered "with the same ideals and aspirations so that they may contribute their share in the mission of establishing a new era of peace and national reconstruction in China."

Mr. Wang recalled that he appealed for universal peace—peace at home and abroad—in a manifesto issued on March 12.

"Peace movements must be unified and united. I firmly believe that the peace movement will be successful."

It was further disclosed that the Conference unanimously adopted a proposed outline for the establishment of a central government and a resolution empowering Mr. Wang Ching-wei to decide "the manner in which the pennant should be flown, taking into consideration local circumstances."—Domei.

Moving to bring to realization "peace and national salvation movement," Mr. Wang Ching-wei, president of the "Orthodox" Kuomintang, at 9.15 o'clock this morning called the Conference to order in the main ballroom of the modernistic International Club situated on Chungshan Avenue, Nanking's main traffic artery.

In bright spring sunshine, thirty-one delegates drove up in shining new limousines bearing the white-sun-in-the-blue-sky insignia which was again prominently visible in Nanking after the absence of two and half years.

Observers from the Wuhan and Canton special municipalities also attended.

Five minutes after his opening address, Mr. Wang Ching-wei proposed one minute's silent prayer in the memory of Dr. Tseng Chung-min who was murdered by terrorists at Hanoi a year ago tomorrow.

New Relations Needed

In an address before the Conference, Mr. Wang emphasized the necessity of readjusting relations between China and Japan and the establishment of peace and order in East Asia.

Rehabilitation of China, he said, so that "she may attain equality and liberty in the world" depended upon the realization of peace and the establishment of a constitutional government. The Conference was convened with these aims in mind, he said.

Mr. Wang stated that the Conference would contribute towards the establishment of a universal peace and lead towards the solution of the problem of a constitutional government, which had been pending for many years, thereby rescuing the Chinese people from their suffering and strengthening the national foundation.

Tribute was paid by Mr. Wang to leaders of the "Reformed" and "Provisional Governments," to whom he gave credit for "maintaining the existence of the nation and repairing the life of the people."

The conference then took up the agenda beginning with the question regarding the name, flag and seat of the new administration.

Twelve Provinces Represented

Delegates to the Conference came from 12 different provinces, according to information gathered here today. Seven members are residents of Kiangsu, while Chekiang, Fukien, and Kwangtung are represented by three representatives each. Hunan, Anhwei, and Chahar are represented by two delegates; four men came from Hopei, and one each came from the provinces of Hupeh, Kwangsi, Kweichow, and Shantung.

Twenty-two of the delegates are former officials of the old National Government under Gen. Chiang Kai-shek. The majority of the representatives to the conference were formerly associated with the Chungking regime.—Domei.

Mt. Etna Beginning to Rumble Ominously

Anxiety Caused by Once Destructive Volcano

Rome, Mar. 19.

Creating serious anxiety among the people of Sicily, Mount Etna volcano today gave signs of activity such as have not been recorded since 1892.

Subterranean rumbling like thunder was heard today and an eruption of sand and pebbles followed, damaging several houses in the vicinity, among them the seismological observatory.

Mt. Etna, quiescent during this century, claimed the lives of an estimated 100,000 people in the past ten centuries. The most severe eruption occurred in 1693, when 60,000 perished.—Havas.

Mauretania and Queen Mary Preparing To Sail from New York

Ballast Taken as Giant Liners Get Up Steam; Destination Rumoured to Be Australia

New York, Mar. 20.

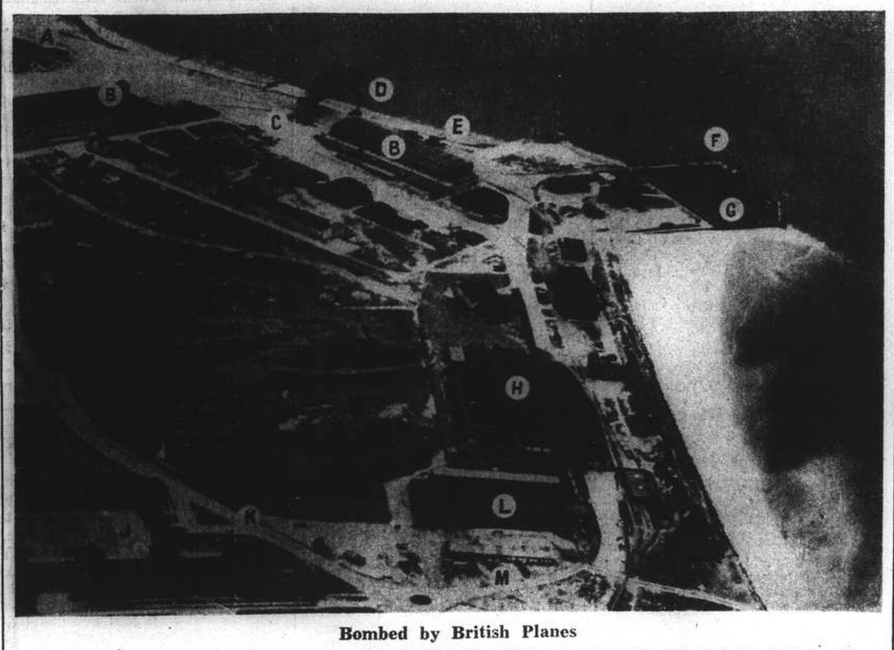
The British Cunard liners Mauretania and the Queen Mary, second largest steamship in the world, will sail from here on Wednesday night under sealed orders, it was reliably reported today.

Sand ballast was loaded aboard the Mauretania yesterday and today, strengthening rumours that Britain will utilize that ship and the giant Queen Mary as troop transports on the high seas. The two vessels total 116,974 tons and could carry a full division of 18,000 soldiers with their equipment on a single voyage.

British informants believed the two liners would transport troops from Australia and New Zealand to join forces landed last month at Aden, on the Red Sea.

Smoke was seen pouring from the stacks of both the Queen Mary and Mauretania today and sailors were testing life boats and other gear.

The police guard which has been stationed round the British luxury liners since their arrival in New York was warned today immediately to notify headquarters if any plane approached the ships at an altitude of less than 1,000 feet, it was learned.—United Press.



Bombed by British Planes

A view of the seaplane base on the island of Sylt, which was severely bombed by Royal Air Force planes in a raid which lasted for several hours during Tuesday night and early yesterday morning. Great damage is said to have been wrought by the British raiders. Shown in this aerial picture, taken by British reconnaissance planes are: A, wireless station; B, hangars; C, seaplanes; D, crane for lifting planes; E, aircraft; F, cranes, G, Harbour; H, repair hangar; I, motor vehicles; J, barracks; K, men; L, motor transport sheds.

Sixty British Bombers Raid And Damage Hornum Base

R.A.F. Planes Come in Waves Throughout Night; Hindenburg Dam Hit; Eye-Witness Accounts

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 20.

ABOUT sixty British aircraft were believed to have participated in the raid on the German air base at Hornum, on the island of Sylt, last night. The raiding planes were stated to be Whitley heavy bombers, and Wellington medium bombers.

Hornum Base on Sylt Severely Damaged

London, Mar. 20.

The British Air Force attacked and severely damaged the German air base at Hornum, on the island of Sylt, last night, according to an announcement by the Ministry of Air. "This is one of the shore bases," the Ministry says, "from which German aircraft operate against British naval forces and merchant shipping. This action follows the attack upon our own shore bases in the Orkneys.

"The attacks on Hornum started at 8 p.m. and were spread over a period of about seven hours. Some opposition of searchlights and anti-aircraft guns was encountered, but our aircraft have returned safely, with the exception of one, which is overdue and must be presumed lost. Information now available shows that the damage reported is very extensive and includes hits on slip-ways and hangars."

Two more British machines, it is understood, flew over Sylt at about 8 a.m. this morning for the purpose of taking photographs to ascertain the precise damage done during the raid.

More planes were employed in the raid than in any previous engagements of the Royal Air Force against German objectives. A strong force of bombers, it is learned, attacked the island and rained almost continuous assaults on the seaplane base. A vast quantity of bombs is said to have been dropped until the early hours of the morning.

Waves of Bombers Come Over

According to a late Copenhagen report, hundreds of Danes in West Denmark and Romoe Island were watching the raid which was apparently being carried out by waves of bombers at intervals of half an hour. Shortly before midnight, a plane was seen to drop several bombs and to list, and soon afterwards the machine was seen falling in flames. It crashed on the beach, and Danes saw it blazing on the water's edge.

A bomber dropped several bombs on the Hindenburg Dam, and huge columns of flames and smoke arose from the spot. A report from the Danish mainland says a fire seems to have been started in northern Sylt.

The Germans claim that one British bomber was brought down while the official German news agency says a house was set on fire but otherwise there was no damage. The agency adds that British bombers flew over in three waves at 7.57 p.m., 8.58 p.m. and 9.16 p.m.

Commons Statement

The German raid on Scapa Flow, which brought about last night's retaliatory action, was described by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday as a "very unimportant affair."

"If indeed it was a raid upon the Fleet in Scapa Flow," he said, "it must be classed as a failure. Not more than 20 bombs were dropped in the Flow. But perhaps undue attention has been given to what happened because of what has been described as the 'unimpeachable communique' of the German High Command." (laughter).

"We remember," Mr. Chamberlain continued, "their previous 'unimpeachable communiques.' Only one warship was damaged, and that damage was minor. She was not a capital ship.

"We must always expect attacks on our fleet bases, and on our northern and eastern shores, but we are confident of our ability to meet them. This was the first attack made upon the land."—Reuter.

News Rushed to Commons

London, Mar. 20.

The radio operator of the leading plane in the attacking squadron sent a code message to high Royal Air Force officials, who rushed news of the attack to London, where the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced reports of the attack in the House of Commons at 10.30 o'clock last night while the raid was still continuing. Mr. Chamberlain's announcement was regarded as probably unprecedented in the history of warfare. Mr. Chamberlain, winding up the debate on the floor, announced that the raid was in retaliation for the German attack on Scapa Flow. He said, "The attack is still continuing." Loud cheers in the House greeted his announcement.

An hour and a half later the press reported that the raid was still going on. The raid was under way while Lord Strabolgi, in the House of Lords,

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Foreigners Warned On Holiday Trips

Passes Needed; Japanese Tighten Precautions as Nanking Parleys Open

Attention of foreigners who plan to make trips out of Shanghai during the Easter holidays was called yesterday by Japanese military authorities to the strict vigilance now being enforced at towns along the Shanghai-Nanking and the Shanghai-Hangchow railways.

At the request of Japanese military authorities, Mr. Yoshiaki Miura, Japanese Consul-General, issued the following statement:

"As Easter holidays are drawing near, applications for permits for travelling to Nanking and other places along the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow Railways have been received from a number of third Power nationals. As most of the applicants are relatives of missionaries residing in Shanghai, it is the intention of the Japanese Military authorities to grant such permits as far as circumstances permit.

Strict Vigilance

"However, as the holidays roughly fall on the occasion for the preparation for the formation of the new Central Government, stricter vigilance is being enforced at those towns, especially at Nanking. All passengers are required to show travelling permits for examination and sometimes their belongings may even be examined. Attention of those planning to make trips is therefore called to the above and it is especially advised that the travellers comply with the military regulations and abide by the conditions specified on the permits," the statement said.

Commons Question On Welles Mission

Britain Relies on U.S. Courtesy for Information

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 20.

In the House of Commons this afternoon, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, was asked whether any arrangement had been made with the Government of the United States to secure information for the British Government concerning the significance of the recent visit of Mr. Sumner Welles, United States Under-Secretary of State.

Mr. Butler, in reply, said that they were content to rely on the courtesy of the United States Government for any information they might wish to give Britain arising from "this important visit."—Reuter.

***Mr. Welles' statement, p. 3.

Finns May Colonise N. Ontario

Ottawa, Mar. 19.

Premier M. F. Hepburn of Ontario province has proposed to the Finnish Consul in Toronto that 100,000 Finns may find new homes in northern Ontario, where excellent farming land is available. The proposal, it was understood, is now under official study.—Havas.

Moscow Vetoes Pact For Scandinavia

Moscow, Mar. 20.

The official Tass agency denies reports that the Soviet Union does not object to the conclusion of a defensive alliance between Finland, Sweden and Norway.

The agency says it has been authorized to state that these reports do not correspond to facts since "such an alliance would be aimed against the Soviet Union and be in direct contradiction to the peace treaty between Russia and Finland."—Reuter.

Khaksars, Police Clash in Lahore

Moslem Organization Outlawed After Street Fighting Suppressed

Lahore, Mar. 20.

Twenty-three Khaksars (members of a Moslem communal body) and two policemen were killed, and 39 persons were injured, when the police were forced to open fire yesterday after having been attacked by a body of Khaksars from the North-West Frontier Province, who were attempting to hold a procession in military formation in defiance of an order issued by the Punjab Government under the Defence of India Act.

The wounded included the district magistrate, and the senior superintendent and deputy superintendent of police.

Police and military reinforcements arrived after the incident, and are patrolling the city. Curfew has been ordered between 7 p.m. and 8 a.m., while the carrying of firearms and other weapons, and the assembly of more than five persons, have been prohibited for six months.

The Khaksar organization has been declared illegal, according to an announcement, and the authorities have taken possession of the Khaksar headquarters.

It is understood that the Punjab Government has ordered the arrest of the leaders of the Khaksar movement. About 50 Khaksars are hitherto reported to have been arrested.

A police guard has been posted at the residence of the Premier, Sir Sikander Hyat Khan.—Reuter.

U.S. Bombers Arrive In Australia

Most Formidable Military Weapon Seen There

Melbourne, Mar. 20.

A further consignment of American Lockheed Hudson bombers is being unloaded at an Australian port.

They came across the Pacific with their wings in the holds, and the huge fuselages tied down to the deck, completely covering all hatch cover and deck space. The Lockheeds are part of an order for 100.

They will constitute probably the greatest striking force outside the air arms of the great Powers. They are the fastest and most modern military planes ever seen in Australia, and are capable of carrying out reconnaissance work much further from the coast than any other planes used so far by the R.A.A.F.

Some weeks ago a number of these aircraft reached Melbourne in another vessel, and others have arrived in Sydney.—Reuter.

Stormy Commons Debate on Conduct of War

Allies Miss Opportunity to Aid Finland, Says Former War Secretary; Opposition Criticism

London, Mar. 20.

"WITH the responsibility which rests upon the shoulders of the Government, we cannot be hustled into adventures which appear to us to present little chance of success, much chance of danger and perhaps disaster," declared the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. "There are some," he continued, "who would urge a more vigorous policy, who say that by some unexplained imaginative stroke of daring we ought to wrest to ourselves the initiative. The time and place for us to strike must be decided upon with the most expert advice we can command. In the meantime, the best way to ensure victory is to preserve unshaken our determination and unity." Referring to President Franklin D. Roosevelt's definition of "moral peace," Mr. Chamberlain stated: "It is to obtain such a peace that we have taken up arms. We intend to fight until it had been secured. We have redoubtable allies. We have our kinsmen and fellow subjects in the British Empire. We have loyal and trusted friends across the Channel with their magnificent army and unlimited patriotism.

"Best of all, we have the consciousness that what we are fighting for is what every right-minded citizen in the world desires, the establishment of a durable and moral peace such as that of which President Roosevelt spoke."

Referring to the German air raid on Scapa Flow last Saturday evening, the Prime Minister said:

"We must always expect attacks on our fleet bases on our northern and eastern shores, but we are confident of our ability to mest them.

"This was the first attack made upon the land. One hundred and twenty-one high explosive bombs and 500 incendiary bombs were dropped over an area of 100 square miles of mineland.

"There were several civilian casualties, including one dead.

Nazi Excuse

"The excuse given by the German high command is that they were bombing military objectives, but whatever their intention may have been, the House will note the facts and know that responsibility for consequences must rest upon the authors.

"In this grim struggle minor incidents of third kind are of little importance."

Frequent cheers interspersed the Prime Minister's address. Ministers cheered when he said the Government could not be "hustled into adventures." A loud burst of applause came at the conclusion of his speech.

Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, former Secretary of State for War, asked whether, in their strategic diplomacy and their total efforts, the Allies were doing everything to achieve their aims.

The war began with two swift strokes, he said. Poland was annihilated and German commerce was swept from the seas. Since then Germany had been inactive on land and the Allies had applied a blockade.

Sole Offensive Weapon

It was the sole offensive weapon they had employed to bring about the defeat of the enemy.

Was that enough or must they intensify their pressure in other directions?

Mr. Hore-Belisha pointed to Germany's dependence on supplies of iron ore and steel, which he argued was responsible for Germany's policy of bringing the Finnish operations to an end.

"Here was one of two keys to winning the war," he continued. "Finland's cause was indeed ours. As long as Russia was engaged in active operations in Finland the date at which Germany could obtain material advantages of her partnership—particularly oil—was being postponed.

"It was in the interests of the Allies to maintain the resistance of Finland. It must be assumed from the decision of the Supreme War Council that sending of a force was practicable and desirable. From that moment the action of the Allies should have been clear-cut and decisive.

Hesitation Deplored

"Hesitation might be permissible in the formulation of policy but surely not in its execution. Events have shown that it was indeed unfortunate that the Allies allowed their intended initiative to be wrested from them.

"It is known to everybody that need for men was urgent. It was only three weeks after the decision was taken by the Supreme War Council, and when the Finnish Government already was actually in touch with Moscow, that they were informed that the dispatch of men as well as materials was contingent on a further appeal being made by them."

Mr. Hore-Belisha then referred to the fact that the Norwegian Foreign Minister had stated that a request was made to them to allow troops through only when Soviet-Finnish peace talks already were under way.

There was uniformity of opinion that powerful onslaughts from the air could have broken the Russian attack, he stated.

None of the objections raised to the dispatch of troops could have prevented the sending of squadrons of the Royal Air Force, the former War Secretary declared.

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Britain Will Not Be Deflected in War Effort by Fear of Offending Russia

Lord Halifax Gives Assurance to House of Lords; Time on Allies' Side; Action Due When Opportune

London, Mar. 20.

"Your Lordships can rest well assured that we shall not be deflected from our main objective, which is defeat of Germany, by the fear that any particular action on our part at any time might damage our relations with the Soviet Union," declared the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in speaking of the Russo-Finnish war in the House of Lords last evening.

"I do not think I can define British policy more concisely at this stage than that," he added.

Lord Halifax said he could not tell the House what happened at the Brenner Pass, but they were quite ready to face whatever the future might hold.

He was a bold man, he continued, who would assert that time was not on Britain's side. He would be a bolder man who would say that at any price it was essential to take action for the sake of action without full appreciation of all that that might involve.

It was no part of Britain's purpose to destroy Germany, to seek a vindictive peace or anything of that kind, the Foreign Secretary declared, but it was their purpose to see that liberty, so far as they could achieve it, was restored to peoples who had been deprived of it.

Above all, he added, they sought security for the world.

Referring to the German raid on Scapa Flow, Lord Halifax said from the information at his disposal, there was no deliberate attack on civilians as such.

"I do not disagree with the suggestion that has been made as to the very legitimate consequences that may be drawn from that attack by way of action that our own air force may take at the appropriate time," he said.—Reuter.

Talk of Changes in British Cabinet

Labour Wants Secret Commons Session to Discuss War Conduct

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 20.

For many weeks the idea that there might be some reconstruction of the Government at Easter has been canvassed, states Reuter's Lobby correspondent.

The main reasons advanced by the prophets were the three that the War Cabinet is too large, the personnel needs overhauling, and there is in general a lack of drive in the Government's war policy.

Thus last night's big speech by the Prime Minister in the House of Commons was awaited with special interest as likely to show the temper of the House towards the Government in particular, and the direction of the war in general.

The Prime Minister had a very patient hearing.

The chief opposition speeches which followed showed an understanding of the Government's difficulties, and even the close adherents of Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, former War Secretary, would be unlikely to deny that his speech stirred no dissentient chord in any other quarter.

Ironical Opposition Cries

Indeed, he was heard in almost total silence until the point at which he said that Czechoslovakia's cause was a righteous one—whereupon there were loud ironical Opposition cries of "You were in the Government."

Whatever changes in personnel the Prime Minister might have in mind for the Easter recess—and well-informed quarters continue to discount any such intention—they will not be the result of yesterday's debate.

The first impression gained from the reception of the Prime Minister's speech is that the House feels he has made a good case as regards Finland, and that if there is to be any further discussion of the war capacity of the Government, it must await another secret sitting.

Labour is inclined to ask for one after Easter.

One of the outstanding features of the comments heard is universal regard for Finland and understanding of the difficulties of the northern countries.—Reuter.

Paris Developments Awaited

London, Mar. 19.

The debate on the Finnish question in the House of Commons is unlikely to exert any great pressure on the present formation of the Cabinet and leaves Mr. Neville Chamberlain's hands free to make whatever alterations he deems necessary during the Easter holidays, political quarters agreed this evening.

Naturally, they added, a great deal depends on the Cabinet moves in Paris, where unexpected alterations or the composition of a War Cabinet may have direct repercussions in London, the same quarters said.

Foreign observers generally stated the House appeared to have found entire satisfaction in the Prime Minister's statement on the Finnish affair.

They pointed out that M.P.'s would not consider the suggestion put forward by Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, former War Secretary, that the Allies should have taken action independently and even against the will of the Scandinavian capitals. All M.P.'s at the same time agreed, however, that the Allies must take timely diplomatic action whenever an opportunity arises. To date, the European situation has been unfavourable to any such initiative.

Mr. Chamberlain's words this afternoon, observers declared, reminded them of the arguments put forward some weeks ago by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, regarding the duties of neutral nations.

Observers noted that not even members of the Opposition placed any blame at all on the Government for its action in the Finnish affair. General opinion was that Germany primarily is responsible for the defection of the Scandinavian nations.—Havas.

Sharp Fighting Occurs On Western Front

Germans Suffer Losses in Men and Material

Paris, Mar. 20.

"Patrol engagements have been the only noteworthy incidents on the Western Front during the past 24 hours," states the latest French war communique issued here today.

In the Saar sector, a German reconnoitring detachment fell into a French ambush. Sharp fighting followed, and although the Germans succeeded in extricating themselves, they suffered losses and abandoned material.

In an area west of the Vosges, German patrols were repulsed, and left some prisoners in the hands of the French, the communique concludes.

"A calm night was spent on the whole front," states the earlier French war communique.—Reuter.

Jammed Robber's Pistol Saves Officer's Life

Sub-Inspector W. A. Munnings Has Narrow Escape In Clash with Bandits; Police Recover $23,300

ONLY the fact that a robber's pistol jammed when the trigger was pulled saved Sub-Inspector W. A. Munnings of the Shanghai Municipal Police from death or very serious injury yesterday evening. The foreign police officer experienced this narrow escape during an affray with a robber gang in Great Western Road when he, together with Sergt. L. T. Roberts, was called to the scene of a hold-up at Mr. Mark L. Moody's assembling plant in Great Western Road, where a payroll was stolen. As a result of quick action on the part of the two foreigners and Chinese policemen in the vicinity, the robber, whose pistol failed to fire, was captured and the payroll was recovered. Two other desperadoes escaped.

The hold-up occurred at about 5 p.m. when three men, one of them armed with a pistol, entered the assembling shop, where $600, wages for employees, reposed. They seized the money and made off but were followed by the assistant manager of the place. He managed to attract the attention of a Chinese constable, who, being off duty, was unarmed.

The constable, acting quickly, hailed a passing police motor cycle combination in which were Sub-Inspector Munnings and Sergt. Roberts. Both these officers dismounted and pursued the robbers, two of whom disappeared into alleyways.

The remaining man, seeing that escape was impossible, the two officers having chased him almost into the arms of a police patrol, turned and pointed his gun almost at point blank range at Sub-Inspector Munnings. He pulled the trigger but, luckily, the weapon jammed, and he was seized by the patrol. He is now in Louza Police Station and he will be charged in the First Special District Court.

$23,300 Recovered After Robbery

A remarkable case of quick arrests and recovery of loot after a large payroll robbery, was recorded in the Eastern district earlier in the afternoon. Members of the Settlement Police attached to Wayside Station managed to arrest two out of the gang of three men involved, seize two firearms, and retrieve all but $300 of the loot of $23,600. No shots were fired.

The robbery took place at 12.30 o'clock noon on Kwenming Road, outside the gates of the Hwa Shing Tobacco Co. factory, a Japanese-controlled establishment, whose payroll was involved. A Chinese accountant and a chauffeur of the tobacco firm were transporting about $30,000 in cash, representing staff pay. They were in a car and the accountant had the bulk of the money. They were halted as their vehicle was starting along Kwenming Road, three Chinese bandits pointing two guns at them.

After the outlaws had seized most of the money held by the accountant they tackled the driver and sought to steal the car so as to facilitate their escape. The chauffeur, however, succeeded in escaping and he ran into the factory yard and raised an alarm. A large number of detectives and uniformed men turned out from Wayside Station and raced to the scene.

$23,300 Picked Up

Meanwhile the bandits were running as fast as they could, in separate directions. The Police chased them, and one of them discarded $23,300 as he ran, the money being picked up by his pursuers.

Without firing a shot, the policemen overtook one of the bandits and seized him with a loaded revolver in his possession. Another had fled into Chapei, but he was traced to a tea-shop there and induced to return to the Settlement, where he was arrested. He conducted the detectives to a house where a second firearm—a pistol—was concealed.

The two prisoners are to be brought before the First Special District Court today, charged with armed robbery.

Police Fired Upon

The "badlands" in the Western district produced a shooting before daylight yesterday when a desperate gang of Mauser wielders engaged the Settlement Police at the time of an attempt to rob a Chinese shop.

It was reported that the gang of seven or eight Chinese who entered the Kwong Woo oil shop at 80 Brenan Road (extra-Settlement territory) all carried Mauser pistols. An alarm was raised and cars filled with policemen turned out from the Bubbling Well Station. When the Police arrived at the shop, however, the would-be robbers had left. But, while a search of the neighbourhood was in progress, the bandits opened fire on the Police in an alleyway near Brenan Road. Fortunately, no-one was hit by the gangsters' bullets.

The proprietor of the oil shop reported that nothing had been stolen by the heavily-armed gang.

Unarmed Bandits Downtown

In broad daylight yesterday morning, five apparently unarmed robbers halted a Chinese man walking in Shantung Road, near the intersection of Hankow Road, and took $225 from him. Although hundreds of Chinese were on the streets near the scene of the robbery, the time being 10.15 o'clock, the gang escaped with their loot.

Stormy Commons Debate on Conduct of War

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"Would it not have been worth one month's output of aeroplanes from our factories to save the situation?" he asked.

Finland Was Lost

Britain and France hesitated. The enemy acted. Finland was lost.

Today the effects in Europe were everywhere apparent, Mr. Hore-Belisha said. There were moves toward new alignments. The war might be static but Herr Hitler and his emissaries were busy.

The speaker asked whether the Allies could not counteract the accelerating tendency of neutrals to compound with Germany.

Total war must be won by total means, he stated, pointing out that the Nazi-Soviet pact had repelled the sympathies of Italy and Japan with Germany, and it was evident now that Germany set great store by the rehabilitation of her friendships.

It would indeed be an unfortunate development if those ideologies were to come together again against the Democracies.

The Empires of Britain and France were the strongest entities in the world and if they were to carry their cause to victory they must not only be strong, they must show their strength, Mr. Hore-Belisha concluded.

Exertion Urged

Sir Archibald Sinclair, leader of the Opposition Liberals, said the Allies needed to exert themselves to gain victory.

They must seize the initiative and hold it. Parliament should consider whether they did not want more efficient national, imperial and inter-allied instruments of war direction than they possessed.

"It does not look as though the present war Cabinet, lopsided and unwieldy with the present means of Dominion and inter-allied consultation, is capable of promoting the war vigorously," Sir Archibald said.

Sir Archibald agreed with Mr. Chamberlain in assigning the proper perspective to the recent engagement over Scapa Flow.

The course of the war had been so unexpected and so quiet, he said, that if a gun went off anywhere people seemed to assume tremendous things.

Britain was at war with an immensely powerful, efficient enemy, he added. The question at issue was whether Europe would rattle back into barbarism, and gangster Governments, or whether it could recreate its civilization based on freedom, justice and the rule of law.

The freedom and independence of Poland, Finland, the Baltic and Scandinavian countries depended on an Allied victory in the war against Germany, he declared.

"It seems to me that we ought to discuss this in a private session. It is too late to save Poland or Finland, and we should thresh these things out before our cause suffers another damaging setback."

Mr. C. R. Attlee, leader of the Opposition, said Finland's magnificent fight against aggression was in the same cause as that for which Britain was fighting.

The duty of assisting Finland was not laid only upon Britain but upon all member states of the League, and in this case Norway and Sweden, he said, did not have powerful armaments.

Close to Front Line

Mr. Attlee added that he did not like to hear harsh judgment made against people who, after all, were pretty close to the front line.

The amount of aid Britain could send was conditional upon the extent to which she could act in concert with Sweden and Norway. Any infringement of their rights was quite unthinkable.

The Opposition, he added, was not in a position to say that the British Government could have sent more with safety, but he would like to be certain that what was sent went in time and without unnecessary delay.

He expressed a hope that the example of this country in helping the reconstruction of Finland would be followed by others.

Mr. Attlee asked if Britain was doing all she could in the diplomatic field, military field and economic field. He agreed with Mr. Chamberlain that the lesson the Allies must learn from Finland was that if they wanted to defeat aggression they must stand together.

He trusted that they were prepared to resist any attack Hitler might make upon them. However, a policy of sitting quiet would be suicidal, and the initiative must not be left with Hitler, he added.

The Allies must use their material and human resources in the best possible way.

Wasteful Transport

Turning to the coal situation, Mr. Attlee said he thought too many miners were unemployed for war-time. The transport system was wasteful, and better use should be made of railway, road, canal and sea transport systems.

Much more direction was wanted in these activities, and greater utilization of man-power should be effected, he stated.

Mr. Attlee reminded the House that there were still 1,400,000 unemployed.

Replying to the debate, Mr. Chamberlain referred to the fear expressed by a Labour member that the morale of the country was not being sufficiently sustained by the Government.

This fear was voiced by Mr. Hugh Dalton, Labour member for the Bishop Auckland Division of Durham.

"It does not conduce to winning the war," the Prime Minister said, "to suggest that this country is being outwitted at every turn by our opponents and that our measures to carry the war to a successful conclusion are open to criticism on the ground that there are leaks through which supplies are pouring into Germany. That is not a true picture."

Mr. Dalton had failed to understand the scale on which Britain was working and the small proportion to the whole of those leaks, Mr. Chamberlain said.

It could not be expected that a perfect blockade could be established from the commencement of a war like this, he added.

Blockade Difficulties

The Prime Minister emphasized the difficulty encountered in conducting the blockade while trying to spare neutrals in a manner consistent with the purpose in view.

The Labour speaker had given the House to understand, Mr. Chamberlain continued, that no neutral rights should stand if by violating them the enemy could be damaged.

Stressing the fact that Britain was trying to keep within the rules of international law, the Prime Minister said that as far as Germany was concerned she had absolutely forfeited any right of appeal to international law against any violation of that law which Britain might embark upon in order to injure her.

But there were very few cases where the matter was as simple as that, he pointed out.

When it came to infringing the rights of neutrals in endeavours to engage the enemy at closer quarters, some regard must be had for those rules of international law to which Britain herself often had appealed.

Referring to an allegation by Mr. Dalton that Norway tolerated violations of her neutrality by German warships, Mr. Chamberlain said the British Navy and air Force kept constant watch over Norwegian waters to see if German warships were violating them.

"Had we been able to establish a single case of that kind, we would not have hesitated ourselves to enter those territorial waters and attack such a ship," the Prime Minister said (cheers).

"Peevish and Perverse"

Dealing with criticisms regarding the Finnish war, he described Sir Archibald Sinclair's speech as "peevish and perverse."

He pointed out that the question of sending volunteers never could have played a major part in any assistance which could have been given.

"We were told," he went on, "that trained troops were what Mannerheim wanted. Volunteers never could have made a serious difference in the campaign if they had stood alone.

"We did not know the situation was deteriorating. Up to a short time before the final collapse we were told that the spirit of the army was completely unbroken and they were confident of being able to hold the Mannerheim line.

Sudden Collapse

"It was really only a few days before the final collapse that we were informed that the situation was considered serious."

Mr. Chamberlain said that every request made by the Finns was referred to chiefs of staff to know whether they considered it justified in the circumstances in which Britain found herself.

"If we had considered solely those things which were naturally properly in the minds of the chiefs of state we should have sent very much less than we did," he disclosed.

"The Cabinet took the responsibility and risks in sending the equipment and material we thought might help the Finns to hold out."

Dealing with criticism that the Government had been too late, Mr. Chamberlain stressed the enormous preparation required for such an expedition. Troops had to be specially selected and equipped to work in deep snow.

Complicated Task

Equipment had to be procured from another country and transports had to be made ready. It was not easy to pick up a number of ships at a moment's notice and make them ready for such an expedition; nevertheless it was done. Everything was arranged according to a definite timetable.

The reason for the Finns' hesitation to make an appeal for assistance was not that the expedition was too small or too late. It was neither hesitation nor vacillation.

The only reason the expedition never sailed was that when the time came the Finns could not make an appeal because Sweden and Norway flatly refused to allow troops to pass through their countries.

Dealing with criticism that Britain might have sent 'planes, the Prime Minister said that when the Finns requested large quantities of bombers these could only have been taken from home defence or the B.E.F.

Nevertheless the appeal was given sympathetic consideration but bombers could not operate without preparation for a ground staff, reserve ammunition and repair facilities.

Uncertainty of Events

"We were ready to supply crews and a number of bombing 'planes if an appeal was to be made, but by that time we knew negotiations were going on," Mr. Chamberlain stated.

"We were not sure the fighting would continue and could not contemplate sending a large number of bombers precious to ourselves if after all we were to find that they failed to save the Finns and we could not get them back again.

"Even so, in response to an appeal from the Finnish Minister at the last moment, we did send what bombers we could.

"Subject to the responsibility of winning the war against our own enemy, we did all we could in the time we had." (cheers).

Turning to the question of production, Mr. Chamberlain said he was convinced that during the next fortnight the House would be able to see an appreciable increase in production of goods.

Although differences had been expressed during the debate, these were on the surface on an underlying unity of parties, he stated. Cheers greeted this announcement.

Mr. Chamberlain said he accepted and subscribed to the words of President Roosevelt a few days ago regarding what peace should be.

"When we had not embarked on the war," the Prime Minister concluded, "I did my best to avert war. Now that I have entered the struggle, I shall be just as determined and just as persistent in achieving the purpose we have in mind as I was in trying to keep peace before the war started." (cheers).—Reuter.

Sixty British Bombers Raid and Damage Hornum Base

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was declaring that the Lords and the public "can look for instant and successful reprisals" for the Scapa Flow raid.

Continuous Bombing

A strong force of planes attacked singly in a series of raids which were almost continuous from early last night to about 3 a.m. today.

Vast quantities of bombs were dropped on the German base and extensive damage was believed to have been suffered by the hangars, workshops and slipways, since official reports by pilots included definite information on direct hits being scored.

Most of the planes participating in the attack returned to Britain by 3.30 a.m., which was originally set as the time by which all planes should return. The first British bombers reached Sylt aided by the bright moonlight. Later, the planes were clearly guided to the position of the seaplane base by the fires started by the first few bombs. A succession of attacks at short intervals roused the German ground crews into terrific activity and the air was filled with shells, shrapnel and bullets.

German fighters did not prove to be as much handicap as the furious and continuous stream of fire poured from scores of anti-aircraft batteries.

The official communique did not specify raids on the Hindenburg Dam, which joins Sylt Island with the mainland, but eyewitness reports from Danish vantage points said that four attacks were carried out on the dam which was believed to have been damaged.

Evening newspapers today used banner headlines over long stories describing the daring British raid over Sylt Island. The "Evening Standard," using its blackest type, featured a bannerline which said: "R.A.F. Seven Hour Raid; Revenge for Scapa; Bombs Rain on Hindenburg Dam." The "Evening News" said: "Wave after Wave Bombers Avenge Scapa: Island Rocked with Rain of Bombs." The "Star" said: "Hindenburg Dam Battered: Base Extensively Damaged."

The "Daily Telegraph," commenting on the Sylt raid said, "It is to be hoped that the official explanation that the attack was a reply to the German attack on Scapa Flow does not imply that the air war will be an affair of mere reprisals. The Prime Minister, in his speech, conveyed a very different impression."

Raiders Tell of Results

A captain of one of the first aircraft to return here said that an enemy fighter was driven off by the accurate fire of his rear machine-gunner. Members of crews of the planes which swept over the island last night said they saw four or five bombs land just inland.

Others said they saw two hangars burning fiercely as they left the scene. They added there was little opposition from German pursuit or interception planes although the weather was fine and the visibility good.

As they approached the seaplane base at Hornum, a semi-circle of searchlights blazed at the skies and the dropping of bombs was the signal for the start of most intense anti-aircraft fire. Ground batteries shot multi-coloured shells and set up furious barrages of tracer bullets, members of the attacking party said. Several bombs were dropped near the seaplanes' slipways in early attacks and fires immediately followed.

Eye-Witness Descriptions

The "Exchange Telegraph," quoting eye witnesses at Romoe, said the raid commenced at 8.15 last night when two R.A.F. planes at a low altitude crossed Sylt, dropped eight bombs on the northern point of the island and disappeared before Nazi warning sirens wailed and searchlights flared across the sky. The observers said anti-aircraft fire began after the planes had left.

At 8.20 p.m., the agency continued, a lone British plane appeared over the northern part of Sylt and, despite heavy anti-aircraft fire, dropped two bombs. Simultaneously, heavy firing was heard in the direction of Heligoland Bight, the agency said. Many bombs were said to have been seen to explode at Hornum on the southern point of Sylt and on the Hindenburg Dam.

"At 8.40 p.m.," the agency said, "the detonation of a single bomb was heard and a few minutes later there was a violent explosion, followed by a brilliant flash on the island. This was followed by a series of explosions. A bomb obviously hit a munitions depot." After the detonation, the agency continued, there was frenzied anti-aircraft fire and tracer projectiles of all colours lit up the sky. "It was as if a wall of fire had broken out right across the island," the Exchange quoted one observer as saying.

One British Plane Crippled

The agency quoted an eye witness as saying that one British plane was apparently crippled. He said it flew out to sea at a low altitude, but was not pursued.

At 8.45 p.m. there was another attack at Hornum, the agency continued. Ten bombs were heard to fall, it said.

Still quoting eye witness accounts of the bombing, the agency said that, following "several other distinct attacks," a plane came from the north and dropped two bombs on List, then disappeared. Five minutes later, another plane appeared from the south and dropped two bombs on Hornum, continuing northward over the island to drop two more bombs. The plane then flew back toward List and successfully escaped the terrific anti-aircraft fire.

"At 11 p.m.," the agency continued, "four explosions were heard from the middle of the island." All along the Danish mainland people stood watching explosions in the pyrotechnic display furnished by the bombs, guns, rockets and searchlights, the "Exchange Telegraph" said.—United Press.

British Plane Crashes

Toender, Mar. 20.

A Royal Air Force plane crashed in flames on the north tip of Sylt Island at 11.45 p.m. yesterday when caught in Nazi anti-aircraft fire while bombing a Nazi naval base on the island, it was reported here last night.

Officials of the coast guard at Fanoe, in a telephonic interview with the United Press this morning, said they had seen the plane fall in flames, apparently on the west coast of Fanoe. They said they believed the plane had fallen into the sea.

Coast guard officials said a British plane flew over Hornum from the south at 2.30 this morning and dropped an unknown number of bombs. They estimated that 108 bombs had been dropped on Sylt Island up to 2.30 a.m.

R.A.F. planes flew over Sylt Island from the south and dropped two bombs at Hornum at 12.40 a.m. and another four bombs at List at 1.15 a.m., observers here said. A British plane flew over Sylt from the north at 2.05 a.m. and dropped two bombs at Rantum, which resulted in a big column of smoke and flames appearing on the horizon. Observers here believed the bombs had probably hit a munitions dump.—United Press.

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The screen presentation of Mr. Rudyard Kipling's famous story, "The Light That Failed," is now showing at the Grand Theatre with Mr. Ronald Colman in the leading role. As the artist-adventurer who goes blind immediately after completing his most brilliant masterpiece, Mr. Colman gives a noteworthy performance. He is ably assisted by that splendid veteran, Mr. Walter Huston, who plays the part of Torpenhow, the artist's friend, and by Miss Ida Lupino who turns in a splendid performance as Bessie Broke, the street gamin who wrecks the artist's masterpiece in a fit of revenge. As Maisie, the girl with whom the artist is in love, Miss Muriel Angelus gives a rather cold portrayal. The picture is quite long and tends to drag in spots, although there are some good action scenes of the British troops in the Soudan. The feature attraction is preceded by a colour cartoon.—T.A.B.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THERE will be a regimental parade held at the Race Course at 9 a.m. this morning in honour of American Consul-General Mr. C. E. Gauss.

THE tiffin meeting of the American Universities Club whch was due to be held on Friday has been postponed until a date to be announced later.

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion in the Bubbling Well Chapel today at 10.30 a.m. This will take the place of the 10.30 celebration in the Cathedral.

MR. Harry T. Silcock of the Friends Mission will be the speaker over XMHD (wavelength 395 metres, 760 kilocycles) today from 8.30—9 p.m. His subject will be "Shanghai —the New Jerusalem."

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion in the Cathedral today at 7.30 a.m. and a specially-arranged Holy Week Service in the afternoon at 5.30 p.m. when Bishop Curtis will deliver the fourth in his series of Holy Week addresses.

MR. Fu Siao-en, Mayor of the Shanghai Special Municipality, will be host to Major-General Yoshiharu Takeshita, newly-appointed Director of the Mongolia Liaison Office of the Asia Development Board at a farewell dinner to be held Sunday, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi" yesterday.

MR. Kao Tsung-wu, former Director of the Asiatic Affairs Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and until recently a supporter of the peace movement headed by Mr. Wang Ching-wei, left Hongkong for a European tour on the ss. Conte Rosso on March 11, says a belated Hongkong message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

HAVING completed its investigations of the murder of Mr. Liu Chung-ying, late manager of the Ta Yar Radio Broadcasting Station in Kiukiang Road which was committed on February 27, the First Special District Court will announce its judgment next Wednesday in respect of Hsiao Ying-lin, a suspect who was arrested shortly after the crime and found in possession of a pistol.

THE American University Club will be hosts at a farewell dinner and dance next Wednesday in the American Club, in honour of Mr. C. E. Gauss, retiring American Consul-General and America's first Minister to Australia. Inasmuch as the limit of 300 diners has nearly been reached, those wishing to attend are requested to forward their applications at once. Dance music and variety entertainment will be in the capable hands of Jimmy James' novelty orchestra.

THE combined Holy Week services arranged by Community Church and Union Church will commence today at 5.45 p.m. with a Communion Service to be held in Community Church at Avenue Petain, at which the Rev. C. Wilfred Allan, Officiating Minister of Union Church, and the Rev. Dr. J. L. Caughey, Pastor of Community Church, will officiate. The second service will be held in Union Church on Good Friday at 10.45 a.m. It will be conducted by the Rev. C. W. Allan, and Dr. Caughey will preach.

Replacing the regular floorshow for two nights, the management of the Arcadia will present tonight and tomorrow night, Kalman's "Chardash Princess" (Silva), curtain at 9.45 p.m. Menary and Muntzeff are to have the principal roles. Several recent arrivals from Harbin likewise will be found in leading roles while extra artistes will support the vocalists of the cast. Special scenery is being provided and music-lovers are assured of an enjoyable evening. The usual arrangements are to prevail before and after the show.

AT the meeting of the Finance Committee on March 18 the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council referred to the fact that it was the last meeting of the Finance Committee which Mr. V. St. J. Killery would attend, since he was leaving Shanghai. The Chairman stated that he desired to thank Mr. Killery for the time and energy he had always devoted to Municipal affairs and on behalf of members tendered to Mr. Killery the Council's good wishes. Members heartily associated themselves with the tribute paid to Mr. Killery's services.

IN their efforts to assist the authorities of the two foreign municipal areas in Shanghai in levelling down commodity prices, the Chinese Government and private banks have jointly decided to refuse to grant loans on the security of illegal mortgages, such as foodstuffs or cereals, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." All merchants desiring to raise a loan from any of the banks concerned, the report states, are required to produce bona fide certificates of approval from either the City Chamber of Commerce or from any of the two foreign municipal authorities.

MR. David Hughes, who finished his education at Chefoo School last year, was a cadet on the Pyrrhus on his first trip when she was torpedoed in home waters about a month ago. He says that the explosion was terrific, but that the boats were manned with a heavy sea running and were picked up an hour later by a tramp steamer whose captain handled his ship and the rescue work magnificently. The officers and crew were later landed at Gibraltar and returned to England by a liner which called in shortly afterwards. Mr. Hughes is the son of Mr. L. J. Hughes of the S.M.C. Public Works Department.

THE University of Shanghai will give a regular weekly broadcast over XMHD every Thursday at 6.30-7 p.m. The programme will be in form of a vesper service, which will include sacred music and brief Christian messages. Miss Ruth Bugbee, head of the music department, and Rev. C. K. Djang, director of religious and student activities, will have charge of the radio services. This programme will take the place of the broadcast which was formerly given at 5.30-6 p.m. on Monday. Today the programme will consist of special Easter music, given by members of the University Church choir and the University music department.

Japanese Request Gap in Wire

British Defence Sector in North Thibet Road to Be Opened Near New Market

An application by the Rear-Admiral commanding the Imperial Japanese Landing Party in Shanghai for a gap to be made in the wire of the perimeter in the British Defence Sector B, North Thibet Road, was acceded to by the Commander of the British Forces in Shanghai after consultation with the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The reason given for the request was that the Shanghai Special City Government wished to open a wholesale vegetable and fruit market to meet the requirements of the rehabilitation of Chapei. This market has been installed North of Soochow Creek, on the space which has been cleared of the ruins of houses destroyed in the 1937 hostilities.

The gap in the wire, which was the subject of this application, is apparently required for the full working of this market, and will give direct access to the International Settlement from the new vegetable market. The proposal was referred by the British Commander to the Shanghai Municipal Council, who intimated that there was no objection.

It was therefore decided to accede to the request of the Japanese Naval Landing Party for an opening to be made in the perimeter opposite the main entrance of the vegetable market on North Thibet Road. The gap will be made at 9.30 a.m. on March 21, when a control post of Shanghai Municipal Police is to be established at the entrance to the Settlement. A British Military guard will also be mounted.

The official opening of the vegetable market is scheduled to take place, according to information received from the Japanese Naval Landing Party, on March 23.

No passes will be required by persons wishing to enter or leave the market but the same procedure regarding control of all traffic and individuals will be observed as at other entrances and exits on the Settlement boundary. The British Command has reserved the right to close the gap in question if he should consider this action necessary in the interests of security.

Chinese Bank Clerks Robbed of $30,000

Gang Waylays Trio at North Station and Kidnaps Them

Three bank employees of a native bank in Hongkew were robbed of $30,000 on Monday in Nantao by five robbers who drove in a motor car and the crime is being investigated by both Japanese authorities and Chinese police, Chinese reports state. The victims were forced to go to Nantao from the North Railway Station where they hired a car from a Japanese garage.

The bank employees collected the money from the interior and had returned to Shanghai by train when they were held up by the five gunmen near the North Railway Station. As soon as they had hired a car the robbers stepped into it and forced the chauffeur to drive them to Soong Kung Yuen Road in the native city, it is stated.

In Nantao, the robbers forced all their victims to go into a small house where they were imprisoned after the money had been stolen. The kidnapper robbers then drove away in the car hired by their victims. An aged woman, who lives next door to the house where they were imprisoned, soon got wind of what had happened and she went into the house and released the bank employees and their chauffeur.

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Japanese Testifies in War Risk Policy Claim

No Ronin in Hongkew, States Witness; Chinese Storekeeper Cross-Examined by Defence

ANOTHER all-day hearing of a war risk insurance claim for $27,107.65 brought against the Home Insurance Company by the Hwa Tung Electrical & General Engineering Works took place before Judge Milton J. Helmick in the United States Court for China yesterday. During the hearing two witnesses gave evidence, Mr. Chang Shu-shing, Chinese storekeeper employed by the plaintiff firm, and Mr. F. Ono, former Japanese watchman at the Hwa Tung plant in Point Road. Messrs. C. S. Franklin and P. F. Faison appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. H. G. Nelson was counsel for the defendant insurance company.

At the conclusion of his examination by Mr. Franklin, Chang Shu-shing said that no equipment or machinery was removed from the factory between the time of the yearly inventory and August 14, 1937. If such equipment had been taken out, he said, he would have known of it.

Cross-examined by Mr. Nelson, the storekeeper said that he was positive that no machinery could have been removed without his knowledge. He was positive that every machine described on the bill of particulars which had been sent to the insurance company was in the factory on August 14. The Chinese version of the bill of particulars was prepared by him and he put nothing on the draft that was not in the factory.

One machine, he admitted, was not in the factory at the time but had been taken out for repairs. This was a vertical punching machine, one to two tons in weight, and it was taken out of the factory about one month before August 14 and taken to a repair shop in Nantao. The machine was now in the Edinburgh Road factory of the Hwa Tung Co., having been placed there just before the new factory was started.

Yearly Inventory

The witness described to the court the method used in making the yearly inventory. He said that the values of the items shown in the bill of particulars were taken from the values placed in his books. Asked if he allowed for the depreciation of machinery, he replied that the depreciation was already allowed for in the book. The value of the items changed each year but the depreciation allowed was not large.

At this point counsel for the defendant commenced to question the witness as to the cost prices of various items shown in the bill of particulars in an effort to establish the value of the missing property. Plaintiff's counsel said that he would admit a list taken from the storekeeper's books showing the cost price and the dates of purchase of the items on the bill of particulars.

Mr. F. Ono, 59-year old Japanese, was the next witness. He said that he was a former sea-captain and that his last command was the Hakuko Maru. He was a former member of the Japanese Naval Reserve and in August, 1937, was engaged in the wool business in Hongkew. When the war broke out he helped the Japanese soldiers to guard Hongkew; he said that he considered it a Japanese man's duty to help. He was employed at the Yung Shing cold storage plant at 953 Point Road and visited the place for the first time at the end of August.

Two Chinese accompanied him, he continued, and he went there to supervise the Chinese in starting the machinery in the plant. He was paid for this by the Japanese military. On September 15 the witness was engaged to take charge of the Hwa Tung factory.

Serving Their Country

In reply to cross-examination by the counsel for the defence, Mr. Ono said that he could only understand one word in ten in the English language. Asked if there was any organization besides the Japanese naval and military forces functioning in Hongkew during the war, he replied that he did not know. He saw other organizations but did not know what they were, he thought that, like him, they were serving their country. He said that he did not wear a uniform.

He said that the organization he belonged to was known as the Shin Shin and they wore arm bands with the name of the organization on them.

Mr. Nelson: "Were they not referred to as Ronin?"

Mr. Franklin: "By whom, 'Shopping News'?"

Mr. Nelson: "By every English language newspaper in Shanghai.

The witness said that he did not see any ronin in Hongkew and did not think that there were any there.

Mr. Nelson: "Do you know what a ronin is?"

Mr. Ono: "Ronin means people without work, in other words ruffians, and I didn't see any. Why do you ask me about ronins?"

No Civilians

Mr. Ono said that when he first went to the Yung Shing plant there were no civilians in Point Road. He could not see the Chinese lines nor could he see any evidence of warfare when he first got there. Japanese soldiers and marines were stationed near the Hwa Tung plant but he did not see any S.M.P. in the neighbourhood at that time. Mr. Nelson asked him if he knew that the plaintiff claimed that some property had been taken away from the Hwa Tung plant and the witness replied that he did not hear anything from the plaintiff, but could tell himself that things had been taken away. He did not observe the Japanese taking anything away and from the end of August, 1937, to May 15, 1938, he saw no looting in the Point Road district.

The witness said that he saw no Japanese enter any buildings or factories and remove machinery or anything. He saw no activity of that kind in Point Road. Asked if he saw any Japanese collecting iron or machinery and piling it on vacant lots he replied in the affirmative, but said that this commenced about a year after, not between August, 1937, and May 15, 1938.

Mr. Nelson: "Were there any ronins in that district?"

Mr. Ono: "I did not see any ronins."

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Military Spokesman Spoke in Jest

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"It was meant as a joke," declared Lt.-Colonel Mori, Japanese military spokesman, in a supplementary interview this morning, denying the interpretation placed on his statement at yesterday's press conference to the effect that the blockade of the Tientsin concessions would be lifted "only after Japan, Italy and other foreign Powers have rendered their concessions to China."

"I never implied that any agreement reached at Tokyo would be insufficient to lift the blockade," he added.—Reuter.

Two Million People Visit Parks

Last Year's Visitors Show Increase Over 1938

A total of 1,831,918 people visited Jessfield Park during 1939, according to the annual report for that year of the Superintendent of Parks and Open Spaces. This total showed an increase of 388,600 over the figures for 1938. An increase of 41,228 visitors to Kiaochow Park as compared with 1938 was also recorded. On the other hand there was a decrease of 41,228 in the return of visitors to the Bund Gardens.

At Kiaochow Park during the past year 5,302 persons indulged in football games and 1,496 in hockey. There were 9,407 tennis enthusiasts, who used the courts at the park, and 632 persons played baseball. The maximum daily attendances at Jessfield Park, Kiaochow Park and the Bund Gardens were 36,573 (April 30), 5,295 (April 4) and 7,151 (July 11) respectively. On fifty days during the year the attendance at Jessfield Park exceeded 3,000.

The total number of visitors to these three parks, together with the Soochow, Nanyang Children's Gardens and Majestic Playing Centre, was 2,692,341. At the Jessfield Park Zoological Garden several deaths of birds and animals from natural causes occurred, the chief losses being a Gibbon monkey, a kangaroo and an albino peafowl.

Divorce Action in H. M. Court

In an action for divorce heard by Judge Sir Allan Mossop in H.M. Supreme Court yesterday a decree absolute was granted to Mrs. Marcelle Celenie Clements, who was represented by Mr. K. E. Newman. The respondent was Mr. Ernest William Clements.

Union Church Tuesday Evening Club

Sir Allan Mossop as Guest Of the Organization

Judge Sir Allan Mossop was the guest of honour at the regular monthly gathering on Tuesday evening of the Union Church Tuesday Evening Club, when, following supper, he gave a most entertaining and informative account of a holiday trip he made by air from Croydon (London) to Capetown in company with Lady Mossop during his last furlough at Home.

Dr. Couper Patrick presided at the supper, and later introduced Sir Allan, referring to his long services in the British Court and to his interest in all that pertains to the welfare of the community.

An Interesting Air Journey

With a humorous reference to the fact that his official position somewhat prescribed him in the selection of subjects at such gatherings, Sir Allan, with the aid of maps, took his audience in thought over the whole route followed in his journey, the first part of which, from Croydon to Johannesburg, was made by the Imperial Airways, and the latter stage, from Johannesburg to Capetown, by the South African Airways. Including stoppages, the journey occupied nine days, and of the original passengers leaving Croydon Sir Allan and Lady Mossop were the only persons who made the full trip. The journey was described as a most enjoyable one, and the speaker spoke in very complimentary terms of the arrangements made at every point and of the attention shown by the officers of Imperial Airways in ensuring the comfort and pleasure of the passengers entrusted to their charge.

At the close of the lecture, Mr. F. H. B. Harmon, on behalf of the audience thanked Sir Allan for "a most entertaining and informative description of a very interesting trip."

The final meeting of the session will be held on April 15, when Mr. F. W. Poate will speak on "Victorian Explorers."

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 1940

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 1/16d.	$ 58.18
U.S. $100 @ 6 7/8	$1,553.40
Francs 303	$100
Yen 27 1/4	100
Guilders 11 7/8	100
Rupees 22 7/8	100
Pesos 12 7/8	100
Hongkong $27 5/8	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 3/16d.	$ 57.31
U.S. $100 @ 6 5/8	$1,509.43
London—demand, $1=	4 3/16d.
4 months' sight credits	4 3/16d.
4 months' sight docts	4 3/16d.
6 months' sight credits	4 1/16d.
6 months' sight docts	4 1/16d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S.$63 5/8
4 months' sight credits	U.S.$63 5/8
4 months' sight docts	U.S.$63 1/4

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling 4 1/16d.	U.S. $6.7
Hongkong/London	1/2 7/32

WEI WAH DISCOUNT

Wei Wah $1,044.00 ..... C.N.$1,000.00

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

Netherlands Guilders	Buying 12 1/2
Java Guilders	" 12 5/8
Netherlands Guilders	Selling 12 5/8
Java Guilders	" 12

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., INC.

Buying	U.S.$100=$1,523.809 £1=$57.313
Selling	U.S.$100=$1,553.398 £1=$58.181

BANQUE BELGE POUR L'ETRANGER

Belgas 0.37 3/4=$1 Belgas 22.10=£1

ITALIAN BANK FOR CHINA

It. Lire 1.25=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.28 1/2=$1
Tourist Lire 1.52 ..... $1

HUA HSING COMMERCIAL BANK

Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d	per H.H.$ 1
" Buying " @ 6 1/32	" H.H.$ 1
U.S.$ Selling " @ 9 3/4	" H.H.$100
" Buying " @ 9 5/8	" H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) selling @ 144	per H.H.$100
buying @ 149	" H.H.$100

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing	$2.708
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar	$4.035

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 4 3/32	Lowest	4 3/32
U.S. G.$	6 1/16		6 1/16
Yen	—		—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING	BUYING
Cash		March
£ T.T.	4 1/16	4 m/s. l.c. 4 1/32
G.$ T.T.	6 3/8	4 m/s. l.c. 6 5/16
Fcs. T.T.	302	4 m/s. 316
Rs. T.T.	22 7/8	15 d/s. 23 3/8

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOC'D
London pence per std. oz.	20 1/8	20 1/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	56.08	—
Bombay offtake 100 bars.		

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

New York closing Rate for Cash	3.75 1/8
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash	3.74
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash	3.74 1/2

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 1/16 sterling and 6 7/8 U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with small sellers for cash at 4 3/8 sterling and 6 1/2 U.S.$ business being done at these rates until ultimately the buying pressure brough rates to a lower level. At the close there were sellers at:—

4 1/8	sterling	6 7/16 U.S.$	Cash
4 5/16	"	6 1/2 "	Mar.
4 5/16	"	6 3/8 "	Apr.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Mar. 19.

Bombay, Rupee T.T. on:

Japan	83 5/8	London	1/5 31/32
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	23 3/4	" (sellers)	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	83 1/2	" (buyers)	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		" (sellers)	84 1/4
		" (buyers)	82 1/8

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Shanghai	4 1/4d.
Paris	176.50	Bombay	1/6 1/2
Amsterdam	7.53	Hongkong	1/2 3/8
Brussels	23.60	Singapore	2/4 1/2
Madrid	38.70	Yokohama	1/2 3/4
Milan	73.25	" (buying)	1/2 7/8
Berne	17.85		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Montreal	81.875
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.10	Japan	23.48
Paris	2.12 3/4	Shanghai	6.60
Brussels	17.02 1/2	Hungary	17.70
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.50
S'zerland	22.42 1/2	Yugo Slavia	2.35
Sweden	23.84	Greece	0.71
Norway	22.73	Bulgaria	Unq.
Denmark	19.32	Finland	1.65
London			3.75 3/8
" Demand			3.75 1/8
Buenos Aires Paper			Unq.
" " market rate			23.55
Montreal on London			4.58

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Mar. 19
Fine Bank Bills, 3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills 6 months	1 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills, 3 months	2 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills, 6 months	3 1/16%
Call Money	0 1/16%
New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/16%B 0 1/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 1/16%B 0 1/16%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Saigon rice per shih (176 lb.)	$39.50
Cotton yn. 20's, D.H., p.b. Mar.	$960.00
" " " Apr.	979.00
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	209.00
Wheat per picul (50 kilos)	$23.50
Flour, local per bag (49lb.)	10.30
Flour, export per bag (49lb.)	15.00
	picul
Raw silk, Steamfil, Ex. B 13/15	$5,150
" " 20/22	4,850
" " 20/22 78%	4,900

Silver Quotations

London, Mar. 20.

Silver prices firmed in today's session. Quotations follow:—

	Mar. 19	Mar. 20
London spot	20 1/8 d.	21d.
" forward	20 1/8 d.	21d.
" gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Cross Rates

London/New York	U.S.$4.0350	59.478d.
New York/London	3.75%	63.94d.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

A rise in the American market convinced operators that peace in Europe was not in immediate prospect and our market opened firm and most shares were in good demand throughout the half-day session yesterday, although no spectacular gains were made, I. I. Trust, Loans and Wheelocks again, held the spotlight closing firm with buyer at 24.25, 25 and 132 1/2 respectively. Ewos were a trading affair whilst Dockyards were easier owing to the strike. The closing found practically all shares in good demand.

Rubber shares which suffered most and were unduly depressed the day previous opened strong and practically all counters registered substantial gains, with good turnover. Langkats, were particularly active and recovered smartly to 33 at the close. These shares were subjected to tremendous selling pressure recently on rumours of poor earnings which are believed to be unfounded.

Official Averages

1940 High	1940 Low		Today's Average	Change
337.85	105.32	General	314.21	+ 0.04
475.35	95.55	Rubbers	391.35	+19.17

Total 372,989 shares, 659 bonds.

Morning Session

Power 5 1/2% Debs.				50000	*88.00
15000	88.00				
I. I. Trust		2000	*24.25	1000	24.25
1500	24.50	2000	*24.75	1000	24.75
1500	24.50	3500	24.25	1000	*24.25
S'hai Loan		1000	*25.25	4000	25.00
500	24.75	1000	*24.75	2000	25.00
500	*25.25				
Yangtsze Finance				1500	*15.80
1000	15.80	1000	15.90	1500	16.00
1000	*16.10	500	15.80	1000	15.85
500	15.70	1500	15.80		
Int. Assurance				500	14.20
China Realty		4500	7.90	3000	7.95
7500	8.00	1500	7.95	6000	7.90
S'hai Land		3000	15.30	1000	15.20
500	15.10				
Metro. Land		500	13.20	500	13.00
Dockyards		200	35.50	300	35.75
100	36.00	500	36.25	400	37.00
400	36.75	800	37.00	800	36.75
100	*36.75	100	*36.50	1000	36.50
300	*36.25	600	36.25	1200	36.50
800	36.25				
S. & H. Wharf				50	447.50
Wheelock		1000	*128.50	200	*128.00
300	129.00	300	130.00	100	*129.00
100	128.50	200	*129.00	200	128.50
200	128.00	300	127.50	500	128.00
400	128.50	200	*129.00	300	129.00
100	130.00	200	131.00	100	132.00
100	131.50	100	132.00	400	132.50
C. G. Omnibus		100	*29.00	200	29.25
100	29.00	200	28.50		
S'hai Gas		100	21.00	500	20.50
100	20.75				
Telephone		2900	30.00	100	*30.00
200	29.75				
Tram (Bearer)		£1		100	57.00
700	55.00	100	*55.00	100	54.50
900	54.00				
S. W. "A"	£20			95	1,130.00
Metal		200	28.00	300	28.25
500	*28.50	700	29.00	700	*29.00
300	29.50	700	29.00	200	28.75
100	*28.50	600	28.25	200	28.50
1000	*28.00	300	28.00	200	28.2
1200	28.00	200	27.75	300	28.00
Lumber		100	51.50	100	52.00
400	51.50				
Exploration		500	13.70	1000	*13.70
500	13.80	500	*13.60	500	*13.80
2500	13.70	1500	13.60	1000	13.70
500	*13.70				
Power (Pref.)		60	136.75	40	*136.75
20	136.50	10	136.00		
Ewo Mills (Ord)		2800	42.50	10200	42.75
China Finance		4000	1.84	1000	*1.84
1000	1.82				
Alma				300	53.00
Anglo Dutch		600	25.50	300	26.00
300	*26.00	700	26.50	1000	26.25
400	26.00				
Anglo Java		300	46.00	100	*46.00
500	47.00	200	48.00	600	47.50
400	47.00	100	48.00	100	47.50
700	46.50	100	47.00		
Batu Anam				3000	2.15
Bute		500	11.80	500	11.70
2000	11.80				
Chemor		5000	4.00	1000	*4.00
Cheng		1000	1.02	2000	1.10
3000	1.14	1000	*1.14	3000	1.16
1000	*1.16	1000	*1.14	5000	1.14
1000	1.18	1000	1.20	3000	1.16
1000	*1.18	3000	1.14	1000	*1.14
Consolidated		500	12.50	500	12.30
500	11.60	500	*11.50		
Dominion				500	15.30
Java Consolidated				1000	6.30
2000	*6.40	1000	6.25	1000	6.20
4000	6.05				
Kota		5000	8.40	1000	8.20
2000	8.00				
Kroewoek		1000	3.65	2000	3.75
3000	3.80	1000	3.77 1/2	5000	3.80
1000	*3.80	6000	3.85	3000	3.80
1000	3.77 1/2	4000	3.75		
Langkat		500	33.00	200	32.75
300	33.00	200	32.75	100	*32.50
200	33.00	100	*32.75	1100	33.00
600	33.25	200	33.00	100	*33.25
700	33.00	100	*33.25	200	33.00
100	*32.75	1000	32.75	100	*32.50
200	32.50	200	32.75	1000	32.50
600	32.75	100	*32.75	100	33.00
1900	32.75	100	*32.75		
Padang		3000	3.90	1000	3.80
Permata		3000	2.30	1000	*2.30
Repah		4000	2.00	4000	2.05
1000	2.07 1/2	3000	2.05	1000	*2.00
3000	2.00	1000	*2.02 1/2		
Rubber Trust		500	12.70	500	12.80
500	12.90	4000	13.00	500	13.10
500	*13.00	1500	12.90	500	12.80
500	*12.50	500	12.80	1000	*12.80
Samagaga		1000	*2.80	1000	2.85
1000	2.80				
Semambu		1000	2.10	1000	*2.15
2000	2.15				
Senawang		1000	2.75	1000	2.85
1000	2.90	1000	2.92 1/2	3000	2.90
1000	2.85	1000	2.80		
Kedah		500	15.30	500	15.40
Kelantan		3000	1.22	2000	1.24
5000	1.26	1000	1.32	1000	1.34
1000	1.36	5000	1.34	3000	1.32
2000	1.28	2000	1.26	2000	*1.26
1000	1.28	3000	1.26	1000	*1.28
Pahang				3000	8.30
Seremban		1000	*3.65	1000	3.65
1000	*3.60				
Sungala				500	11.00
Sungei Duri				200	78.00
Tanah Merah		3000	4.70	2000	4.75
2000	4.80	5000	4.75	1000	4.80
1000	4.75				
Tebong		1000	2.20	2000	2.25
1000	*2.25	12000	2.20	1000	2.22 1/2
1000	*2.17 1/2	5000	2.20	3000	2.17 1/2
3000	2.15	5000	2.12 1/2	5000	2.15
Ziangbe		100	34.00	100	35.50
300	34.50	100	35.00		
Caldbeck Macg. (Ord)				200	24.50
Union Brewery				1000	9.00
ODD LOTS					
Bute				100	11.50
Senawang				500	2.97 1/2
S'hai Loan				100	25.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)				75	*43.00
Pahang				200	8.15
China Realty				374	7.85
Dockyards				30	*36.00
I. I. Trust		150	*24.00	300	24.75
Rubber Trust				200	13.00
Sungei Duri				50	76.50
Union Brewery		300	*9.00	125	8.50
200	*9.00	600	9.00		
Java Consolidated				500	6.00
Power (Pref)		5	136.00	5	136.00

*—Direct Business.

Franco-Japanese Trade Pact Extended

Tokyo, Mar. 20.

The Franco-Japanese trade agreement, which expired April 15, has been extended one month, the Foreign Office spokesman said today.

The spokesman said a formal statement would be issued soon regarding the Franco-Japanese trade agreement.

Press reports that a Spanish-Japanese trade pact had been concluded were premature, the spokesman said. The treaty has not yet been signed, he declared.—United Press.

Shanghai Securities Ltd.

Applications in response to the offer of 120,000 shares of $5.45 each in the above concern totalled $2,700,000.

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 19.

Stock prices on Wall Street ruled steadier today, and mostly finished from fractions to about one point higher, influenced principally by the merger of the Curtiss-Wright with the Atlas Corporation and the lessening prospects of peace.

Domestic news remained unchanged, while operators continued to adopt a cautious attitude, pending clarification of the European situation.

The turnover was slightly larger today, totalling 650,000 shares.—Reuter

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	146.85	145.61	146.43	+0.84
20 Rails	30.09	29.76	29.95	+0.09
15 Utilit.	24.13	23.97	24.07	+0.03
40 Bonds	—	—	88.69	—0.03
11 Commod.	—	—	56.62	+0.48

	Mar. 18	19		Mar. 18	19
Adams Exp	7 7/8	7 1/8	Kennecott	34 1/8	30 3/8
Alg Lud	20 1/8	21 1/8	Lak F & M	*4	*4
Allid Stores	7 1/4	8	Libbey O F	48 1/2	49 1/2
Allis Chal	36	35 1/2	Lockheed	27 1/8	28 1/8
Alum Ld	99	99 1/2	Loew's	36 1/4	36 1/2
Amer Can	113 1/2	113 1/2	Loft Inc	28 1/8	30
Am Cyan B	37	37 1/2	Mack Trks	24 1/8	24 1/2
Am For Pr	1 1/8	1 1/8	Martin	39 1/4	41 1/2
" $7 pfd	*22	22 1/2	McK & R	*24 1/8	*24 1/2
Am G & E	34	34	Monsanto	*106 1/2	106 1/8
Am Loco	19	19 1/8	Mont Ward	52 1/2	†53
Am Metal	23 1/8	24 1/8	Nat Avian	11 1/8	12
Am Radtr	8 1/8	8 1/8	Nat City B	*28 1/4	*28 1/2
Am R Mill	13 3/8	14 1/8	Nat Dairy	16 1/8	16 1/8
Am Smltg	48	48 1/2	Nat Dist	24 1/4	24 1/4
Am Sug R	19	19 1/8	Nat Gyp	10 1/8	10 1/8
Am T & T	171	171 1/8	Nat Lead	20 1/8	20 1/8
Am Tob B	88 1/2	88 1/2	Nat P & L	7 3/8	7 1/2
Am Wtwrks	8 1/2	8 1/2	Nat Steel	65	65 1/2
Anaconda	27 1/2	28 1/8	Nat Supply	8 1/2	8 1/2
Atchison	21 1/2	21 1/2	N Y Cent	15 1/2	15 1/2
Auburn	1 1/2	1 1/2	Niag Hud	5	5 1/8
Bald Loco	14 1/8	14 1/8	N A Avian	20 1/2	22
Balt & Ohio	4 1/8	5	N Am Co	20 1/8	20 1/8
Barber	14 1/2	*14 1/2	O I Glass	60 1/2	61
Barn Oil	11 1/8	11	N Pacific	7 1/8	7 1/8
Bend Avian	31 1/2	31 1/8	Pac G & E	33 1/2	33 1/4
Beth Steel	72 1/8	73 1/8	Pac Light	*46 1/2	47
Bliss	12 1/8	14 1/8	Packard	3 1/8	3 3/8
Boeing	19 1/8	20	Pan Am Air	19	19 1/8
Borg War	21 1/8	22	Paramount	7 1/8	7 1/8
Brid Brass	10 1/8	10 1/2	Penn R R	21 1/4	21 1/2
Briggs	†20 1/2	20 1/2	Phelps D	35 1/2	35 1/8
Bkn M Tr	22 1/8	22 1/8	P & R Coal	*0 1/2	*0 1/2
" $6 pfd	*85 1/2	87	Phil Pet	38 1/8	38 1/8
Budd Mfg	4 1/8	5	Pitt C & I	7	7 1/8
Can Pac	5 1/2	5 1/8	P S of N J	41 1/8	41 1/4
Case J I	*67	67	Pullman	26 1/8	26 1/4
Celanese	28 1/8	29 1/8	Pure Oil	9 1/8	9 1/4
Chase N B	*33 1/4	*33 1/2	Radio	6 1/8	6 1/8
Chesapeake	39	39 1/2	Reading	*15	*15
Chryler	84 1/8	85 1/4	" 1st pfd	*24 1/4	*25
Clim Mlyb	38	38 1/2	Rem Arms	*3 1/8	*3 1/8
Colt's	*71 1/2	74 1/2	Rep Avian	5 1/2	5 1/8
Col G & E	5 1/8	5 1/2	Rep Steel	18 1/8	19 1/2
" A pfd	86 1/2	*86 1/8	Rev C & B	*21	11 1/2
Com Credit	45 1/2	45 1/2	Rey Tob B	41 1/2	41 1/2
Com & Sth	1	1	Rich Oil	6 1/8	6 1/4
Cons Edis	31	31	Safeway	50	50 1/8
Cons Oil	7 1/8	7 1/8	Schenley	*12 1/2	12 1/4
Cont Can	45 1/2	45 1/2	Sears Roe	83 1/2	84 1/2
Cont Oil	22 1/2	22 1/8	Sheil U Oil	10 1/2	10 1/2
Copid St	15 1/8	16	Soc Vac	11 1/8	11 1/2
Corn Prod	59 1/8	59 1/2	Sthrn Pac	12	12 1/8
Curtis Wr	9 1/8	9 1/2	Sthrn Rly	26	26 1/4
" A	31 1/2	†29 1/8	Sperry Cpn	41	41 1/8
Deere & Co	21	21 1/8	Spicer Mfg	33	34
Dist Corp	19	18 1/2	Std Brands	7	7
Douglas	78 1/8	80 1/2	Std G & E	1 1/8	1 1/8
Du Pont	185 1/2	185 1/8	Std Oil	22 1/2	22 1/2
E P Lead	*10 1/8	11	Std Oil N J	43 1/4	44 1/8
Eaton Mfg	32	32 1/2	Stone & W	9 1/2	9 1/2
Elec. Lite	37 1/8	37 1/2	Studebaker	10 1/2	11 1/8
Elec B & S	5 1/8	5 1/2	Swift Int	21 1/8	20
" $5 pfd	57 1/8	57 1/4	Technicor	14 1/8	15
" $6 pfd	57 1/8	67 1/2	Tex Corp	44 1/4	44 1/2
Elec P & L	27	27	Tex Gulf	33 1/8	33 1/2
Fisk Rub	15 1/8	15 1/2	Timken	21 1/4	22 1/2
Flintkote	19 1/8	19 1/8	Transamer	6 1/2	6 1/2
Gen Am Tr	*51	52	Tw Cent F	12	12 1/8
Gen Elec	37 1/8	38 1/2	" pfd	*22 1/2	22 1/8
Gen Motor	53	53 1/2	Un Carbide	82 1/8	83 1/8
Gen Rly	15 1/8	15 1/2	Un Pac	95	95
Gen T & R	19	21	Un Aircraft	44 1/2	45 1/8
Glidden	17	17	Un A Line	18 1/8	18 1/4
Goodrich	18 1/2	18 1/2	Un Corp	2 1/8	2 1/8
" $5 pfd	67	66 1/2	" $3 pfd	39	38 1/2
Geodyear	22 1/8	23	Un Gas	1 1/2	1 1/8
Gt N I Ore	13	13	Un Gas Imp	13 1/8	13
Gt N Rly	22 1/2	23	U S Ind Al	21 1/2	21
Gt W Sug	27	27 1/2	U S Rub	34 1/2	34 1/2
Greyhound	16 1/2	16 1/2	" 8% pfd	112 1/2	113
Herc Pow	92 1/4	92 1/2	U S Steel	53 1/8	54 1/8
Homestake	54	55 1/2	Vanadium	31 1/8	33 1/4
Int Harv	55 1/2	†55 1/8	Walworth	5 1/8	5 1/4
Int Nickel	35	35 1/2	War Br Pic	3 1/8	4
Int T & T	4 1/8	*4 1/8	West Elec	110 1/2	112 1/2
Johns Man	71	*71	Woodward	24	24 1/8
Jones & L	*56	*56			

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	62 1/8	63
Baltimore & Ohio	25	25
Brazil (U. S. of) 8%	*21 1/2	21 1/8
" " 6 1/2%	16 1/2	*16 1/2
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	84 1/8	84 1/2
Erie R.R.	13 1/2	14
Int. Tel. & Tel.	45 1/2	45 1/2
New England Gas & Elec.	66	67
Republic of Colombia	33	32 1/2
Republic of Colombia (1928)	33 1/2	44
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	44 1/4	44 1/4
Stand. Gas & Elec.	62 1/2	62 1/2

*—Bid †—Ex Div.

WEEKLY CLOSING BONDS

	Mar. 12	19
Anglo-Chilean Nitrate Corp.	36	36
Argentine	87	85 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	105	105
	7/32	6/32
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	102	101 1/2
Chic., Milwaukee, St.	7 1/8	6 1/8
Columbia Gas & Elec.	104 1/2	104 1/2
Denver & Rio Grande	*8 1/2	*9
Elec. Power & Lt.	77 1/2	77 1/2
Mines Geraes	*11 1/2	11 1/2
Mortgage Bank of Colombia	*26 1/2	*26 1/2
Nat. Power & Lt. "B"	106 1/2	107 1/2
" "A"	112 1/2	112 1/2
New England Power Ass.	97 1/2	96 1/2
New York, Chic. & St. Louis	81	80 1/2
	*69	*70
Peru	9 1/2	*10
Republic Steel	95	95 1/2
Rio Grande de Sul	*9 1/2	9 1/8
Sao Daulo	*9 1/2	*9 1/2
Sthrn. Rly.	*76 1/2	75
Studebaker Conv.	109 1/2	107

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCK

	Mar. 12	19
Alaska Juneau	6	6 1/2
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdry.	*42	39
Amer. Hide & Leather	5 1/2	4 1/2
A.P.W. Paper Co.	*2 1/2	2 3/8
Ass. Gas & Elec. $5 pfd.	*2 1/2	2 1/2
Atlan. Gulf & W. Ind.	*15	14
Atlan. Refining	23 1/2	22 1/2
Atlas Corp.	9 1/8	9 1/2
Bank of Montreal	209	209
Bellance Aircraft Corp.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Callahan Zinc-Lead	1 1/2	1 1/8
Comm. & Sthrn. $6 cum pfd.	62 1/2	*62 1/2
Colorada Fuel & Iron,	*5 1/2	*5 1/4
Comi. Solvents	14	14
Consolid. Aircraft	27 1/2	26 1/8
Consumers Pwr. $4.50 pfd.	*101 1/4	*104 1/2
Cont. Roll & Steel Fdry.	6 1/2	*5 1/2
Coty Inc.	6	6
Coty Int.	1 1/2	*1
Crown Zellerbach	16 1/2	15 1/8
Delaware & Hudson	19 1/2	17
Elec. Boat Co.	13 1/2	13 1/4
Elec. Power & Lt.	5	5
Erie Rly.	1 1/8	1 1/2
Gen. Foods	47 1/2	47 1/2
Int. Paper & Power	12 1/8	11 1/8
Lorillard	24 1/2	24 1/2
Mountain City Copper	4	3 1/8
Mueller Brass	*24 1/2	*23
Nash Kelvinator	7	6 1/2
Nat. Power & Lt. $6 pfd.	93	92
Poor Mfg. "B"	11 1/2	10 1/8
Rayonier Inc.	17 1/8	16
Royal Bank of Canada	187	182
Schenley 5 1/4% pfd.	76 1/2	*75 1/8
Scott Paper	46 1/2	46 1/2
Scovill Mfg.	30	29 1/8
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	29 1/2	28 1/2
Sthrn. Rly.	16 1/8	15 1/2
Sterling Prods.	79 1/2	79 1/8
Texas Pacific Land Trust	5 1/2	*5 1/8
Tidewater Ass. Oil	10 1/8	10 1/4
Un. Light & Power "A"	9 1/8	9 1/8
U. S. Pipe & Fdry.	36	35 1/2
U. S. Realty & Imp.	1 1/8	1 1/8
U. S. Smelt. Ref. & Min.	*61 1/2	62 1/2
Westinghouse Air Brakes	24	23
Yellow Truck & Coach "B"	17 1/8	17 1/8
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	40 1/8	39 1/2

U.S. Silver Imports

New York, Mar. 19.

Imports of silver into the United States for the week ended March 13 totalled $1,551,000, compared with $1,500,000 for the preceding week.

Consignments of the white metal for the period under review were received from the following principal sources: Canada $74,000; Mexico $574,000; Peru $44,000; Japan $676,000; Chile $40,000; the Philippines $13,000; Honduras $45,000; Bolivia $31,000; and, Burma $48,000.

Imports during the preceding week included: $245,000 from Canada; $556,000 from Mexico; $203,000 from Peru; $364,000 from Japan; $63,000 from Chile; and, $46,000 from the Philippines.—Reuter.

Shanghai Foreign Trade For February

According to the monthly returns issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs, covering the foreign trade of Shanghai, net Imports during February, 1940 totalled $45,559,162. Net Exports $72,932,289. January-February figures were $84,593,691 and $195,454,923, as compared with the corresponding figures for 1939 of $73,309,490 and $59,468,250 respectively.

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 19.

Quiet conditions prevailed on the London Stock Exchange today with most groups tending to ease. However, British gilt edged securities ruled steady.

Trading in the new War Loan was small, and the price clbsed at a 1/4 discount. Elsewhere, the decline in Indian goldminings was a notable feature, following the confirmation of news of the Mysore tar.—Reuter.

	Mar. 18	19
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red.)	£98 5/8	98 3/4

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	50 3/4	50 1/4
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	54	55

Osaka, Mar. 20.

Kogo 5%	Y 106.03

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	14/-	14/-
Armstrong Stevens	6/-	6/-
Ass. & Elec. Indus.	42/1 1/2	41/10 1

TRAVEL AND SHIPPING

N.Y.K. LINE

Orient-San Francisco Line
via Honolulu
ASAMA MARU ..... Apr. 8
TATUTA MARU .... Apr. 28
NITTA MARU, Maiden Voyage ..... May 13

Orient-Seattle Line
via Vancouver
From Kobe
HIKAWA MARU ..... Mar. 27
HIE MARU ..... Apr. 13
HEIAN MARU ..... May 11

Orient-New York Line
via Los Angeles and Panama
AZUMA MARU ..... Apr. 6
AKAGI MARU ..... Apr. 12

Japan-Australia Line
via Hongkong and Manila
From Nagasaki
ATUTA MARU ..... Mar. 31
KITANO MARU ..... Apr. 26

Orient-South America Line
via San Francisco from Kobe
NAKO MARU ..... Apr. 10

European Mail Line
For Liverpool via Straits, Bombay, Port Said Naples, Marseilles and Gibraltar
*HAKUSAN MARU .... Mar. 26
HARUNA MARU ..... Apr. 15
*Special call at Lisbon
For London via Straits, Port Said, Naples, Marseilles and Gibraltar
*DELAGOA MARU .... Apr. 6
TATUNO MARU ..... Apr. 27
*Special call at Casablanca

Bombay and Calcutta Line
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta
ZINZAN MARU ..... Mar. 27

Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Kundla and Karachi
GINYO MARU ..... Mar. 30

Japan-Madras Line
Singapore, Colombo, Tuticorin, Pondicherry and Madras
TOKIWA MARU ..... Apr. 3
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NITTA MARU ..... May 1

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ss. TSINGTAO MARU	Mar. 25	Mar. 26 at 11 a.m.
ss. DAIREN MARU	Mar. 28	Mar. 29 at 11 a.m.
ss. TSINGTAO MARU	Apr. 1	Apr. 2 at 11 a.m.
ss. DAIREN MARU	Apr. 4	Apr. 5 at 11 a.m.
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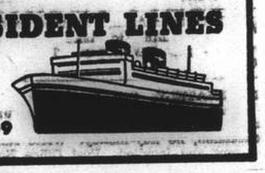

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VESSELS ARRIVING TO-DAY

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **KOBE:** Taiyo Maru, due between 8-9 a.m., Wayside Wharf.
Kasima Maru, due 5 p.m., Buoys 12-13. Passengers expected at O.S.K. Wharf, between 5.30—6 p.m.

From **DAIREN:** Dairen Maru, with mail, due 2-3 p.m. Whangpoo Wharf.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal part. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GENOA			From BOMBAY		
India	29/2	6/5	Conte Verde	20/3	4/4
From TRIESTE			**From SOURABAYA**		
Monte Piana	20/1	26/3	Tjisadane	15/3	2/4
Conte Verde	8/3	4/4	**From HONGKONG**		
Volpi	27/2	17/4	See "China Ports" below		
Carignano	25/2	22/4			

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK			From HONOLULU		
P. Maersk	9/2	3/4	Asama Maru	20/3	7/4
Reinholt	27/1	3/4	**From SEATTLE**		
G'trude Maersk	26/2	14/4	Capillo	29/2	23/3
Memphis City	—	20/4	Crown City	15/3	9/4
Grete Maersk	11/3	26/4	**From NAGASAKI**		
From SAVANNAH			Shanghai M.	21/3	22/3
Grete Maersk	16/3	26/4	**From KEELUNG**		
From LOS ANGELES			Hukuken M.	24/3	26/3
P. Maersk	29/2	3/4			
Asama M.	11/3	7/4			
G'trude Maersk	19/3	14/4			

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			From DURBAN		
Boissevain	14/2	23/3	Tegelberg	19/3	20/4
Tegelberg	13/3	20/4			

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN			From HONGKONG		
Tsingtao M.	23/3	25/3	Boissevain	21/3	23/3

VESSELS DISCHARGING

NINGPO. The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s m.s. Ningpo, Captain J. O. Hedding, is now discharging all her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Hongkew Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to be exchanged for delivery orders and take immediate delivery of their Goods. All claims against this Vessel must be sent in within ten days after completion of Vessel's discharge, or they will not be recognized. All risk of Fire at the Wharf and Godowns is to be borne by the Consignees of the cargo. Examination of damaged goods will take place at the Wharf on March 26, 1940, at 9.30 a.m. by Messrs. Angus & Co. The Ekman Foreign Agencies, Ltd. Hamilton House, 170 Kiangse Road. Tel. 11330. 21-3

ACHILLES. From Liverpool arrived on March 20, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on March 29, 1940. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Tuesday, March 26, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 24-3

VESSELS SAILING

The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LONDON		For NEW YORK	
Delagoa Maru	4/4	Tarn	22/3
Tatuno Maru	27/4	Tosan Maru	27/3
For LIVERPOOL		Laura Maersk	1/4
Hakusan Maru	26/3	Azuma Maru	6/4
Haruna Maru	15/4	Reinholt	6/4
For TRIESTE		Akagi Maru	12/4
Monte Piana	27/3	N. Maersk	16/4
C. Verde	7/4	Peter Maersk	2/5
For GOTHENBURG		**For SAN FRANCISCO**	
Ningpo	21/3	Asama Maru	8/4
For COLOMBO		**For SEATTLE**	
Tokiwa Maru	3/4	Capillo	25/3
For BOMBAY		Crown City	8/4
Zinsan Maru	23/3	**For KOBE**	
Ginyo Maru	30/3	Taiyo Maru	23/3
For CAPETOWN		Kasima Maru	27/3
Boissevain	25/3	**For NAGASAKI**	
Tegelberg	22/4	Shanghai M.	23/3
For JAVA		Nagasaki Maru	25/3
Tjitjalengka	21/3	**For DAIREN**	
Tjisadane	4/4	Dairen Maru	22/3
For MANILA		Tsingtao Maru	26/3
P. Maersk	5/4	Dairen Maru	29/3
Gertrude Maersk	15/4	Tsingtao Maru	2/4
		Dairen Maru	5/4
		Tsingtao Maru	9/4

VESSELS DISCHARGING

GAASTERKERK. The H.E.A.L. s.s. Gaasterkerk, from Antwerp, Amsterdam and Rotterdam arrived at Hongkong on March 10. The Shanghai cargo was transhipped into the ms. "Tjitjalengka," arrived at Shanghai on March 18, and discharging her cargo at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bs/L for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at Wharf and Godowns to be borne by Consignees. All claims against this steamer must be sent in within 10 days after arrival otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined at above Wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy on Saturday, March 23, at 9 a.m. It is necessary to produce Bills of Lading also Shippers Invoice at the examination. Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. General Agents, Holland East-Asia Line, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 22-3

PASSENGER LISTS

DEPARTURES

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Per Pres. Coolidge, Mar. 20, for **Kobe:** Mr. J. J. Salas, Dr. & Mrs. Orlando de Lara, Mr. & Mrs. J. S. Klauz, Mr. A. Borques, Mme. H. Ott & son, Miss D. Maxwell, Mr. & Mrs. H. L. Linsky, Mr. & Mrs. H. G. Marchant, Mr. H. L. Gould, Mr. B. Michell, Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Stradmeyer, Mr. D. P. Kelder, for **Honolulu:** Mr. L. W. Enos, Mr. & Mrs. L. R. Nielson & son, for **San Francisco:** Mr. J. E. Covington, Mr. J. B. McCleary, Master R. O. Strange, Mr. E. W. Torrey, Mr. P. F. Cherp, Mr. J. M. Kerbey, Mrs. P. M. Dumbauld, Miss J. B. Dumbauld, Master J. W. Dumbauld, Mrs. J. E. Burke, Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Miller, Mr. J. Gilliam, Miss A. Gilliam, Mr. & Mrs. F. C. Jordon, Miss M. M. Jordon, Mr. C. B. Brown, Mr. T. J. Whitaker, Mr. & Mrs. R. Bruce, Mr. & Mrs. E. H. Wilcox, Mr. F. M. Apolloni, Mr. & Mrs. H. G. B. Perry, Mrs. H. Hughes, Rev. W. R. Johnson, Rev. & Mrs. F. C. Gale, Mr. Y. T. Loo, Mrs. M. N. Hagemann, Miss J. Hagemann, Miss O. Hansing, Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Rape, Mr. T. L. Li, Mr. J. O. Faulkner, Mrs. E. Greenhouse, Mr. & Mrs. L. Bright, Master Bright, Mr. D. Franco, Dr. Z. T. Kaung, Mr. L. W. Sze, Miss (Dr.) Ruby Sia, Miss E. C. Russell, Miss D. M. Evans, Rev. H. A. Emmott, Miss S. Gibbs, Miss V. Weaver, for **Los Angeles:** Mr. & Mrs. P. Druiding, Mrs. R. W. Hadley, Miss Hadley, Master Hadley, Mr. Earl J. Sanderson, Mr. & Mrs. L. N. Johnson, Miss M. L. Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Roper, Miss V. E. Roper, Mrs. W. Smith, Mrs. C. E. Cowman, Mrs. E. Baranovsky, Miss L. Baranovsky, Mr. D. S. Dvorjetz, Rev. C. A. Felt, Miss B. Freeman, Mr. R. A. Davis.

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AMERICA

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SOUTH AND EAST AFRICA

BOISSEVAIN Mar. 25. MAURITIUS, REUNION, TAMATAVE, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, CAPETOWN, MOSSEL BAY, PORT ELIZABETH, EAST LONDON, ZANZIBAR and MOMBASA via HONGKONG, MANILA, SAIGON, BANGKOK (Koh-Si-Chang) SINGAPORE and BATAVIA.—The K.P.M. Line ms. Boissevain sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Monday, March 25. Cargo accepted for all ports in South, East and West Africa, also East Coast of South America. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. Agents, K.P.M. Line, Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 25-3

VESSELS DISCHARGING

NIEL MAERSK. The Maersk Line m.s. Niel Maersk, from New York, Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia, Savannah, Norfolk, Cristobal and Los Angeles via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns to be borne by consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within (15) fifteen days after the vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo to be examined at the Old Ningpo Wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes Davy on Tuesday morning, March 26, at 9 a.m. Maersk Line, Shanghai Agency, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 22-3

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Fooshing	Hsinkong	C.C.T.H.
Myoho M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Kondor	Ningpo	Reuter B.
Kiangnan	T'lungkong	C.C.T.H.
Yutung M. 3	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Heiei M. 6	—	K.U.K.
Hsingya M.	River Ports	T.K.K.
Yekishin M.	Lungkow	D.K.K.
Sophocles	Hongkong	Maersk L.
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Dah Hsing
Kenzan M.	Bornea	Showa S.S.
Chingning M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Tawha	T'lungkong	Quen Kee
Hungyun M.	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Lipari	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Romolo	Liuho	V. Chieri
Hengshan M.	Tsingtao	T.K.K.
Taiko M. 8	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Kasiwa M.	Tsingtao	K.U.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Agnes	Nor.	Chi. Hellenic
Nagasaki M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Chekiang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Kiku M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Hsuchow	Jap.	T.K.K.
Shinko M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Pres. Adams	Am.	A.P.L.
Haikong	Ger.	Ger. Machine

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Guam	Am.	Gbt.	Upper Sec.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

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FUNERALS

Mr. William Allanson

A Requiem Mass was celebrated yesterday morning at St. Peter's Church for Mr. William Allanson, aged 94 years, with Father F. P. Beauce S.J., officiating. Interment followed at the Lokawei Cemetery where Father Beauce conducted the last rites. The casket upon which rested a beautiful bouquet of roses from "Myla" was carried to the grave by Messrs.: G. M. d'Almeida, J. d'Almeida, J. V. Botelho, A. S. Cole, F. X. Diniz, and A. Maignon. Among those sending flowers and donations to the Little Sisters of the Poor were:—

Myla, Ninho, Lauretta and Billy Boy, Willie, Dickie and Peppy, Mr. M. Myers, Mrs. Leibovitch $5; Annazita $5; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Collins $5; Percy Wolnizer $3; Dickie $10; Billy Boy $10 and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Minnie Logan

A funeral service for Mrs. Minnie Logan, whose death occurred at Kowloon, Hongkong, and whose cremated remains were brought to Shanghai, was held in the Pahsienjao Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon in presence of a large attendance of mourners. The services were conducted by Dean Trivett, of the Cathedral, who in the course of a short address referred to the splendid work which Mrs. Logan had carried out in connection with the Girls Friendly Society. The chief mourners were:—Mrs. C. Madar, the eldest daughter who travelled up from Hongkong, Inspector and Mrs. Blenkinsop, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Logan, Mr. C. O. Bojesen, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Bojesen, Mr. Chris Bojesen, Mr. Eric Bojesen, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Bojesen and Mr. S. L. Bojesen, while there was a large representation from the Girls' Friendly Society.

The urn, containing the cremated remains, was afterwards buried beside her husband in Pahsienjao Cemetery. A beautiful cross from the grandchildren was placed in the grave. Although there was request that in lieu of flowers donations be sent to the Mission to Seamen, floral tributes were received from the following among others:—

Mother, Kay, Tom, Anne, Blenky, Gus, Olive, Ed, Betty, Jack, Wynne, Archie, Lydia, Cyril and Allen., Brother Ed. Rose and family; Dolly, Fanny and Bill; Kate, Peter Hilda and Catherine; Louie, Oscar and Cissy and family; Alma and Elizabeth Fred and Mary; Carl and Maren, Mrs. M. Corneck, etc.

The funeral arrangements were in the care of Messrs. Macdonald & Company.

Mrs. A. S. Faddeeff

There was a large attendance of mourners at Lokawei Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon when the remains of Mrs. Anastasia Stepanovna Faddeeff were laid to rest. A service was held in the Russian Orthodox Cathedral, Rue Paul Henri, with Father Borodin officiating, assisted by a choir of male voices. The chief mourner was the husband and the pallbearers were:

Messrs. S. M. Seroff, J. V. Seprin, J. M. Baranoff, C. Motoviloff, I. A. Pensin and S. D. Kalashnikoff. At the cemetery, Father Borodin conducted the last rites. In addition to a floral ribute from the husband, wreaths were received from the following among others:—Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Seroff and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stragus.

Messrs Thomas Macdonald & Co. were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

U.S. Ambassador May Be Sent to Berlin

Washington, Mar. 20.

President Roosevelt is considering resumption of full diplomatic relations with Germany, according to the "Baltimore Sun." His choice for Ambassador in Berlin would probably be Mr. Clarence Pickett, a leading figure in Quaker relief and peace activities.—Reuter.

Anglo-French Land Co. Final Dividend

Messrs. A. R. Burkill & Sons, Ltd., agents of the Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd., report that the profit on rental working account for the year ended February 29, 1940, after providing $100,749.48 for depreciation and renewals, amounts to $315,682.53.

After transferring $35,980.58 to special repairs reserve, the sum transferred from profit and loss account to profit and loss appropriation account is $214,206.23, to which must be added $8,050.69 brought forward from previous year, making a total of $222,256.92. Deducting $38,670.00 the interim dividend of $2 per share paid on October 12, 1939, there is a balance at credit of profit and loss appropriation account of $183,586.92.

At a meeting of directors held yesterday, it was decided to recommend the following appropriation at the forthcoming annual general meeting of members to be held on April 5:—

To pay a final dividend of $6.00 per share (making a total of $8.00 per share for the year)	$116,010.00
Place to general reserve	35,000.00
Place to bad debts reserve	5,534.43
Donate to Central British War Fund	2,500.00
Donate to French War Fund	2,500.00
Donate to British Forces Recreation Centres Fund	500.00
Carry forward	21,542.49
	$183,586.92

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Mar. 20.	Bid a.m. Closing		Prices p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.16		.16	
Antamok	.09B/13A		.12	
Baguio Gold	.22		.22	
Batong Buhay	.010		.011	S
Benguet Consolidated	5.50	*	—	
Big Wedge	.175		.18	
Coco Grove	.11	S	.11	S
Consolidated Mines	.003		.0035	S
Demonstration	.10		.105	
East Mindanao	.10	S	.10	S
I. X. L.	.345		.345	
Ipo Gold	.10		.105	
Itogon	.22	S	.22	S
Masbate Consolidated	.0775		.08	S
Mine Operations	.09		.0925	S
North Camarines	.0625		.065	
Paracale Gumaus	.185		.185	
San Mauricio	.74		.75	S
Surigao Consolidated	.175		.175	
Suyoc	.13	S	.13	S
Syndicate Investment	.020		.21	
United Paracale	.25	S	.255	S
Mindanao Motherlode	.095		.0975	S

A—Asked. B—Bid.
*—Over counter. S—Sales.
Turnover for the Morning: 46,500 Pesos.
Shares Index: (Morning Session) 69.71.
—Reuter.

"The China Journal"

The March number of "The China Journal" contains a finely illustrated article on "The Volcanoes of the Netherlands East Indies" by William Fisher, the photographs being quite impressive. Other illustrations of interest are reproductions of the work of Paul Herrnstadt, street scenes in Shanghai. An "Art Note" describes him as a well-known figure in European art circles and a favourite pupil of Anton von Werner. Paul R. Sung, the General Secretary, Hankow. Y.M.C.A. and Secretary of the World Student Association, China Branch, writes on "Chinese Students in Defence of Their Nation"; "China Wax or Insect-Wax Industry in Szechuen" is by Dr. C. Y. Chiao and Miss D. S. Pen, and is illustrated by drawings. "Some Sea Pens (*Pennatulacea*) from Amoy Island" is also illustrated by drawings and photographs, and an article on "Small Money," by H. Crozier Faulder, has many reproductions of the type of small paper money—even to Bus tokens—in use at the present day in Shanghai.

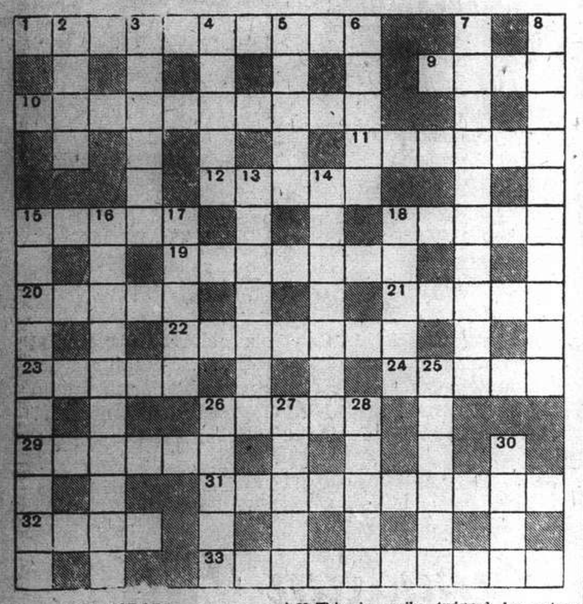
Italy Purchases Coal In Bulgaria

Sofia, Mar. 19.

Italy has ordered more than 100,000 tons of coal here in Bulgaria and the head of the State-owned Pernik mines will shortly visit Italy to arrange details of the mass purchase, it was reported today.—Havas.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 144

(By Arrangement with the "Daily Telegraph.")



ACROSS

1 Where suits may be inexpensively disposed of (three words)
9 Starts as an animal, and turns out to be an insect, finally
10 Even people who walk about houses may be hampered by being this
11 Something for a draughts expert to play with
12 A race of sorts
15 The fleet, or a bomb, might give it to you
18 The end of a gallant ship
19 Nobody's darling
20 One can halve this to give less than half of it—if one knows how!
21 Not an odd letter, but something to record
22 A raider that made history
23 It might be part of a centre part ring
24 It's dead, but it won't lie down in schools
26 Those who lie in this will never lie again
29 Those who lie in this may live to lie again
31 Often got up by those who want a square deal (two words)
32 This is easily twigged by nature lovers
33 An adventure

DOWN

2 This is plain enough for you
3 His job required horse-sense
4 A noun of active voice
5 Seen in stunt illuminations
6 A composition of some spirit
7 An addition, mainly of athletes, apparently
8 Town of conflicting weight
13 A quoted passage, perhaps
14 Pretty tough, but fits a girl and a man to a "T"
15 Its eyes delight the farmer (two words)
16 By no means improved
17 A minority of golfers adopt the tee-this habit
18 Take the least change
25 This manhood for war, but not with it
26 Material
27 A person of no minor description
28 If this could only be upset it would certainly initiate a red-letter day
30 She is more welcome inside a car than under the bonnet

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 8, Capuchin; 9, Rabble; 10, Dispatch; 12, Vosges; 15, Off the reel; 19, Mere; 21, Vitamin; 22, Chapter; 23, Oslo; 24, Platelayer; 27, Smyrna; 30, Oddments; 32, Apache; 33, Shrapnel. DOWN: 1, Tariff; 2, Puppet; 3, Chat; 4, Inch; 5, Drivel; 6, Ibis; 7, Else; 11, Coronel; 13, Greatly; 14, Shearer; 15, Obvious; 16, Fatally; 17, Home; 18, Excited; 20, Caul; 24, Plater; 25, Aleppo; 26, Esther; 28, Mope; 29, Rack; 30, Oust; 31, Dory.

Positions Vacant

Do not enclose original testimonials when replying to advertisements. Copies answer the same purpose.

ENERGETIC advertising salesmen and salesgirl wanted for an important commercial monthly publication. Salary and commission. Only experienced persons need reply. Box 2539, NCDN. -4767

A nine months correspondence course in bookkeeping is more effective than several years of class tuition. Elementary and advanced courses. Easy payments in Shanghai dollars. Text books free. British School of Accountancy, 264 Klangse Road, telephone 14967. Principal J. Webster Watts (Chartered Accountant). 4394

WANTED girls or young men for different work in local magazine. Replies Post Office Box 1315. -4009

JAPANESE clerk with knowledge of English. Reply, stating qualifications, salary expected, to Box 2488, NCDN. -4690

WANTED, first-class photographer and colour artist, for leading foreign studio. Apply Hamilton Studio, 221 Nanking Road. -4686

WANTED, trained and experienced English nurse for three children and one infant. Amah's help. Address Box 2452, NCDN. 11444

CANVASSER. An experienced advertisement canvasser is required by old-established British firm. Reply with full particulars to Box 2494, NCDN. 11486

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Advertisements under this heading only are accepted at the rate of five dollar cents per word per insertion, with a minimum charge of $0.80.

COLLECTOR, 30, having thorough knowledge of English and experience and fully capable of handling collections, accounts, statements, correspondence and typing, desires immediate employment in sales or purchasing repartment to handle both indoor and outdoor work with prospect. Smart and trustworthy. Can provide shop guarantee. Salary: $150 plus 1 per cent commission on accounts collected. Box 2524, NCDN. -4751

CHINESE girl, age 18, looking for immediate position as office or salesgirl, willing to start at moderate salary. Perfect knowledge of English, also speaking Cantonese and Shanghai dialect. Box 2527, NCDN. -4762

ENGLISH lady recommends Russian girl speaking English for half day duties, suitable charge of child, very honest and reliable. Telephone 12-2, 36552. -4757

ENGINEER, foreigner, 36, conscientious, versatile, (also gasolene motors), seeks employment. Box 2530, NCDN. -4767

EXPERIENCED European ladies' dressmaker, capable saleslady, speaking English, seeks employment. Address Box 2336, NCDN. -4383

LADY-stenographer, beginner, knowledge bookkeeping and elementary accountancy, good knowledge English, seeks position. Salary moderate. Address Box 2512, NCDN. -4734

YOUNG lady-stenographer, now employed, seeks change. Holder of London Chamber of Commerce Certificate. Address Box 2498, NCDN. -4707

BRITON, 23, seeks position with either British/American firm. Experienced in office routine, speaks Chinese, Russian and Japanese, A1 references. Outports no objection. Reply Box 2492, NCDN. -4696

YOUNG man, 22, speaking English and German, is willing to undertake any kind of work, also outport. First-class references and guarantee. Box 2460, NCDN. -4617

TRADE enquiries, financial status reports, insurance (all classes). Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road, Telephone 10092. 11182

FIGUEIREDO'S School. Employment Bureau. Can recommend stenotypists: beginners, experienced, 54 Garden Apartments, 1173/11 Bubbling Well. 11180

ELECTRICAL-mechanical engineer, thoroughly experienced in diesels and other gas-engines, desires permanent position. Box 2478, NCDN. -4674

Business Opportunities

RARE opportunity of securing a steady source of income. First European Candy Factory, Shanghai offered for sale, complete with shop and factory premises, stocks, apparatus, fittings, goodwill and recipes. Well-patronized, best location French. Owner leaving. No debts. Capital required US$500. Address Box 2529, NCDN. -4766

SPECIAL offer in soft soaps. Best quality, low price. Vienna Soap Co., 17 Canton Road, Telephone 13837. -4635

Offices, Shops, Godowns

TO LET, two-roomed flat, private bathroom, verandah, hot water daily, steam heating. Telephone 75468. -4786

OFFICE required, approximately 1,200 sq. ft., ground/lower floor, central district, could exchange for present office of 800 sq. ft., modern building. Box 2545, NCDN. -4800

OFFICE space required, central district, about 400 to 500 sq. ft. Please reply to Box 2480, NCDN. 11476

Miscellaneous

ENGLISH doctor and wife returning to England in June or July, willing to take care of invalid or child in return for part passage. Reply Box 2519, NCDN. 11519

$4 MONTHLY you can read British and American magazines, delivered anywhere twice or three times weekly, second run $2. The Home Magazine Library, 267 Kiangse Road, Room 12, telephone 14189. 11243

THE transactions, all sorts of the matters between Chinese or foreigners and Japanese. Please reply to a Japanese lady, Miss Teruko Kadonashi, 627 Avenue Foch, Apartment 4. Holds the Japanese Consulate-General permission. -3744

ROSA Cohn, ladies' professional dressmaker. Fashionable alterations made. 921 Avenue Joffre, Room 301, telephone 73256. -4536

DOLLS and toys, broken, repaired/renovated perfectly by Doll's Hospital, Rosette, 135 Seymour Road. Reasonable prices. -4373

Dancing

PROFESSOR Waldemar, famous teacher in ballroom, ballet, tap dances, gives private-class lessons, 1272 Avenue Joffre. -4489

For Sale—Miscellaneous

FOR SALE, whole set of machines for briquette factory: oil burner, Westinghouse; motor 5,5 h.p., Max; slack mixing machine; press for pressing slack, making eggs. Can be sold separately. French Russian Coal Corporation, 600 Avenue Foch. -4774

FOR immediate sale, one 9 x 9-in. double cylinder, vertical ammonia compressor with "V" belts, high and low gauges and valves, one air-washer with heavy cooling coils, tank and 70 nozzles, heavy doors and cork insulation, one water pump and pipe connections, one header complete with expansion valve, one 10,000 cu. ft., fan complete, one condenser 2-in.—1,000 lineal feet double pipe, one air pump, one liquid ammonia receiver 600 lb. capacity, one oil separator, all ammonia connection pipes, valves and fittings; two exhaust 18-in. fans and one water tank. Complete air-conditioning plant for 120,000 cu. ft. space, used 46 days only. Address Box 2535, NCDN. -4776

FIVE American-make slot (fruit) machines, at sacrifice price. Large and small size, recent models and new. 299 Szechuen Road, Room 501, office hours. -4780

LEICA, 3B, new, F2, with leather case. US$100. No bargaining. Telephone 17963, 1.30-2 p.m. or address Box 2533, NCDN. -4772

KOREAN apples arriving weekly from Chinnampo, first grade $11.50, and second grade $9 per case of 331 lb. net. Sample box containing 18 apples $3. Obtainable at Peninsular Trading Company, authorized dealer in China, 705 Liza Building. Telephone 18350 and/or 1007 Avenue Joffre, Telephone 31649. -4778

FOR SALE, genuine Hawaiian koa wood steel guitar. Cost Gold $35 plus customs duty Gold $15. Telephone Stevenson 11010 daytime, 41086 evening. 11520

MOSSE Code, pocket-edition, German language. Apply 150 Kiukiang Road, Room 217A, Telephone 11885. -4795

ATTRACTIVE crystalware and porcelain in large selection at bargain prices. You also may find other things as: Persian rugs, miniatures, handbags, portfolios, rarities. Open on Saturday, March 23. General Magazine, 337 Avenue Haig. -4792

BEDSHEETS 60 x 90, 72 x 90, 90 x 108, best imported quality 6.50 to 10.50. 133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, 626. -4752

DIAMOND ring, blue-white, 0.86 carat $950. 421 Avenue Roi Albert, Apartment 5. -4765

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EXQUISITE porcelain, baccarat crystalware, miniatures and fine oil paintings. 12 Rue du Consulat, Apartment 501, (near Bund). -4740

CONTINENTAL typewriter, Persian carpets, Easter gifts in crystalware, porcelain. 150 Tifeng Road, House 15, Apartment 2. -4624

GENUINE Persian salon carpet, Korcsan, 2 x 3 metre, unique specimen, for sale, reasonably priced. 1310 Avenue Joffre, European Arts. -4644

COMPLETE set Brehms: Tierleben (encyclopædia of animal kingdom), for sale. 12 Rue du Consulat, Apartment 501, Telephone 87801. -4740

SINGER sewing machines, brand new, reasonable prices, for sale. 138 Hamilton House, telephone 14199. -4672

BARGAIN in dinner and coffee-sets and crystalware, oil-paintings etc. 497 Wei Hai Wei Road, 5 Yang Terrace, Room 6. -4677

BLUTHNER grand-piano, perfect condition, £80. Box 2477, NCDN. -4669

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SHIRTS correctly made to measure. English poplins and pure silk from $14.50. Razon's 12 Central Road. 11110

SECONDHAND furniture shop. Buy and sell at best prices, furniture, carpets, refrigerator, cut-glass, etc. Feiner, 306 Rue Bourgeat, telephone 73597. -3636

SHIRTS made to measure. Superior "double-thread," broadcloth $15.50, "Tootal" $24 "Clydella" Wool $35. Razon's, Central Road. 11111

CLEARANCE sale: Blue and red fox jackets, silver foxes. Absolute bargains. Far Eastern Credit Co., 46 Route de Grouchy, Telephone 73740. -4626

SINGER sewing machine, as good as new, reasonable price. 158 Embankment Building. -4652

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PYJAMAS made to measure. Flannel $9.50. Smart English material from $16.50. Razon's, 12 Central Road. 11132

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TYPEWRITERS: Hermes Baby slightly used US$25; new Underwood portables US$50. Hermes Baby dealers. Business Machine Co., 9-A Central Road, Telephone 14292. -4560

STOCKINGS: selected new stock in beautiful shades, exceptionally strong. Bargain sale of dresses, dresses ready made, at wholesale prices. Orders taken. Room 41C, 3rd floor, Central Arcade. -3542

Beauty Culture, etc.

Advertisements under this heading are carefully scrutinized before acceptance, and though no guarantee can be given readers may be reasonably assured of their bona fides.

MRS. Mac gives massage. General, medical and special face massage, at client's home. Latest method. Telephone 74645. -4777

LADY gives general massage, manicure 10-7 p.m. 205 Peking Road, Apartment 30, Second Floor. 11114

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LADY gives general and electric massage, by appointment, from 10-6. Telephone 85103, 169 Avenue Dubail, Apartment 34. -4674

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WANTED by responsible bachelor, one or two-roomed, modern, furnished or unfurnished apartment, preferably business district. Reply to Box 2537, NCDN. -4792

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FURNISHED room wanted. State particulars to Box 2521, NCDN. -4745

WANTED, a small house or four-roomed flat, furnished or unfurnished, French Concession or western district, for British couple. One grown up daughter. Box 2495, NCDN. 11487

FURNISHED apartment, vicinity Bubbling Well Road, bath, kitchen, moderate rent. No key-money. Box 2507, NCDN. -4722

ENGLISHWOMAN requires furnished room, part board. Reply Box 2511, NCDN. -4732

FLAT, one or two rooms, on or near Bund. Box 2493, NCDN. -4699

WANTED now or any time before June, furnished/unfurnished, two or three-roomed, modern flat or small house, by Dutch couple without children. Prepared to rent for limited period from people going on leave. Address Box 2473, NCDN. or telephone 10818. -4694

RESPONSIBLE foreigner wants house or apartment. Agrees to pay key-money and take over furniture. Telephone 78499. -3798

WANTED, from April, furnished apartment. Willing to take furniture over and pay key-money. Telephone 79023. -4389

IMMEDIATELY, two to four-roomed apartment or flat, furnished or unfurnished, modern conveniences, French Concession, no key-money. Write stating rent and location. Post Office Box 594. -4666

To the Uninitiated

Classified advertisements are never a source of speculation. Similar desires confront the reader daily, yet never grow stale for they find an immediate market. We recommend these columns to your interest.

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ENGLISH language. Daily conversation practice wanted by college graduate. Box 2532, NCDN. -4771

ENGLISHMAN, excellent education, experienced, with clear pronunciation, gives advanced and English conversation lessons. Moderate terms. Box 2536, NCDN. -4781

GERMAN and French private lessons, conversation and grammar, given by highly experienced gentleman teacher. Easy method. Exceptional references. Twice weekly, $15 per month. Apply from 8-9 a.m. or by letter, 2 Quinsan Gardens, Room 1. -4311

WANTED British or American gentleman for English lessons, four hours a week, state qualification, experience, fees. Box 2506, NCDN. -4721

MRS. H. Beesley gives private individual lessons in Pitman's shorthand/touch typewriting. Rapid results. Telephone 71001. -4632

FRENCH by qualified gentleman-teacher, special method for beginners, speaking, writing within short period. Box 2335, NCDN. -4382

Lost

LOST, one signed Bill of Lading No. 14, issued by Butterfield & Swire, Agents Blue Funnel Line, Shanghai, to Arts & Crafts Ltd., covering 2 bales black hair, AC over L in diamond No. 1/2; 8 bales Algerian fibre, AC over L in diamond No. 3/10, per ss. Perseus, Glasgow/Shanghai, arrived 13/3/40. The above Bill of Lading is hereby declared null and void. -4802

NOTICE is hereby given that Cheque No. 18755 dated 18/3/40, amounting to $12,000, issued by Ta Chung Hua Rubber Industrial Co. on the Bank of Communications' Blvd. Deux Republiques Branch and endorsed by Tai La Timber Co., had been lost and destroyed and it is hereby declared null and void. -4730

LOST. One set (original and two copies) signed Bills of Lading No. 18, issued by Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents Glen Line Ltd., Shanghai, to G. E. Huygen, covering 13 bales matting, Shanghai/London, per mv. Glenbeg sailed 1/3/40. The above Bills of Lading are hereby declared null and void. 11500

LOST, black leather wallet in Standard Oil Company Building, second-floor, containing $90 in notes and various documents. Reward $100 to finder. Please communicate with Carl A. Bauman, 133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. 11516

Personal

ENGLISHMAN wishes to meet presentable, broadminded young lady. Box 2523, NCDN. -4750

WILL, of the Bath Club who visited Fritz Henry at Clarges Street, communicate with English lady. Box 2526, NCDN. -4757

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LONELY Englishman wishes meet broadminded young lady for companionship. Box 2508, NCDN. -4722

Holiday Resorts

TSINGTAO, to let three-roomed, furnished flat, kitchen, bathroom, hot/cold water, near German Beach. 1 Ning Wu Kuan. Apply Shanghai, Telephone 20058, 756 Great Western, Efimoff. -4765

TSINGTAO. To let: three-roomed fully furnished, self-contained flat. All modern conveniences. Apply by letter 20 Chia-Yu-Kuan Road, "Villa Tina," Mrs. Goulmy. -4764

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WANTED small motor house boat to rent for summer or buy cheap. Box 2487, NCDN. -4689

Wanted to Purchase

SECONDHAND counting machine, in perfect working condition and typewriter, office size. Box 2546, NCDN. -4800

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WANTED small, closed, economical car, 1934/1937, must be in excellent condition. Address Box 2534, NCDN. -4773

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1936 NASH, 20,000 miles, perfect condition, owner leaving. US$600. Telephone 11326. Office hours. -4785

WANTED car, good mechanical condition; state full particulars, make, year, cylinders, lowest price. Box 2518, NCDN. -4743

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1938 Skoda four-door sedan, consumption 30 miles per gallon. Owner leaving. U.S.$720. Telephone 12237, morning only. -4703

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HMV HIGH fidelity automatic radiogram. A magnificent instrument at a bargain price. Recently overhauled and in perfect condition. For particulars and demonstration write Box 2549, NCDN. 11531

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LARGE south room, nicely furnished, private bath, steam heating, all modern conveniences, box-room. 404 Avenue Joffre, Apartment 2. -4756

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NICELY furnished room in new apartment-house in best part French Concession. Telephone 78550, 1-2 or 8-9 p.m. -4733

TWO, well-furnished rooms, steam-heated, hot water, all conveniences, private bath, single/couple, from April 1, Europeans only. 1819 Avenue Joffre, telephone 78056, 10-12, 2-5. -4736

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FURNISHED room with full board. Private bathroom. Arcola heating. 14 Kelmscott Gardens. Telephone 72385. -4698

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A-1 COOK-BOY, most satisfactory services, excellent cooking, best qualifications. Address Box 2538, NCDN. -4783

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HOUSE-BOY, young, clean and efficient. Previously employed on H.M. Yangtsze gunboats. Highly recommended. Box 2548, NCDN. 11530

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GOOD cook-boy, clean, honest, speaks English well and wife coolie-amah. Box 2505, NCDN. -4719

ADVERTISER, leaving China, highly recommends cook-boy, 28; six years with American family. Honest, clean, capable, energetic, fast and willing servant. Address Box 2499, NCDN. -4709

EXCELLENT cook-boy, clean, honest, best cooking. Also wash-amah available immediately. Box 2458, NCDN. -4611

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WANTED immediately, cook-boy and wife (coolie/wash-amah.) Must be recommended. Room and good wages. Box 2482, NCDN. -4682

WANTED, well-recommended wash-amah, for five afternoons per week. Apply to 119 Rue Massenet. 11469

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LIFT offered April 1, large closed car, vicinity Bubbling Well/Hart to Szechuen Road. Box 2463, NCDN. -4627

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TO LET, small, foreign house, two big, five small rooms, bathroom and kitchen, furniture all new, to be taken over. Apply House 10, Route Edan (An Tsin), corner Joffre/Rue Prosper Paris. -4614

FROM April 1. Very desirable five-roomed house, best part Concession. Two bathrooms, servants' quarters, garden, garage, Modern conveniences. Rent US$35. Completely furnished, including Frigidaire, carpets, etc. Furniture to be taken over. Box 2270, NCDN. telephone 10754 from 9-10, 2-3. -4749

NINE-roomed house, three baths; garage; garden; tennis court. Best residential part French Concession. Rent $245 monthly, including taxes. Completely furnished for sale, price U.S.$850. No brokers. Telephone 76979 from 12-2 and after 6. -4683

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TO LET, house of six rooms, kitchen, bathroom, garden in French Concession. Please write Box 2528, NCDN. -4764

NO key-money. Three-roomed house, 595 Frelupt. (For inspection call watchman, 185 Dufour). Modern bathroom, kitchen, large private roof-garden. Krivoss, 1331 Joffre. 11511

FIVE-ROOMED house with spacious garden in western district. Newly decorated. All modern conveniences and quiet. Suitable for residence. With key-money. Apply Post Office Box 1176. -4640

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TWO-ROOMED flat, large and one small room, private bath, kitchen, steamheating, hot water, light. Great Western Road. Apply Mr. Greenwald, 159/3 Avenue Haig. -4791

FOUR-ROOMED apartment, modern building, for immediate occupation or within three months. Reply Box 2338, NCDN. -4703

TWO-roomed flat, kitchen, bathroom, near Avenue Joffre, available April. New Central Trading Co., 2 Peking Road, Room 111. -4590

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FOR SALE, foreign residence, over 1½ mow, vicinity French Park, 10 rooms, three bathrooms, modern conveniences. Arcola, large garden, garage, suitable for Chinese family. US$11,000. No brokers. Telephone 76941, 2 to 3 p.m. Address Post Office Box 1852. -4758

WANTED to buy land, four to ten mow, situated beyond railway and with road access. Particulars and price to Box 2541, NCDN. 11527

WANTED to purchase: House in French Concession 7/8 rooms, modern conveniences, garden. Reply stating address and price to Box 2547, NCDN. 11529

FOR SALE: 2 modern semi-detached 5/6-roomed houses under construction exclusive compound Route Culty. Built-in furnitures, central heating, etc. $35,000 on 20 year lease or land sale may be considered. De Becker Law and Estate Offices, 262/4 Hamilton House. Telephone 15633/2. 11496

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WANTED to buy, about two mow in French Concession, with or without house. State price and location to Box 2542, NCDN. -11527

FOR SALE, 2 vacant lots on Lincoln Avenue, area 1½ mow and 2¼ mow respectively. Price cheap. Address Box 2037, NCDN. -3829

Furnished Apartments

TWO-ROOMED, furnished flat, kitchen, bath. No key-money. Rent $200 monthly.